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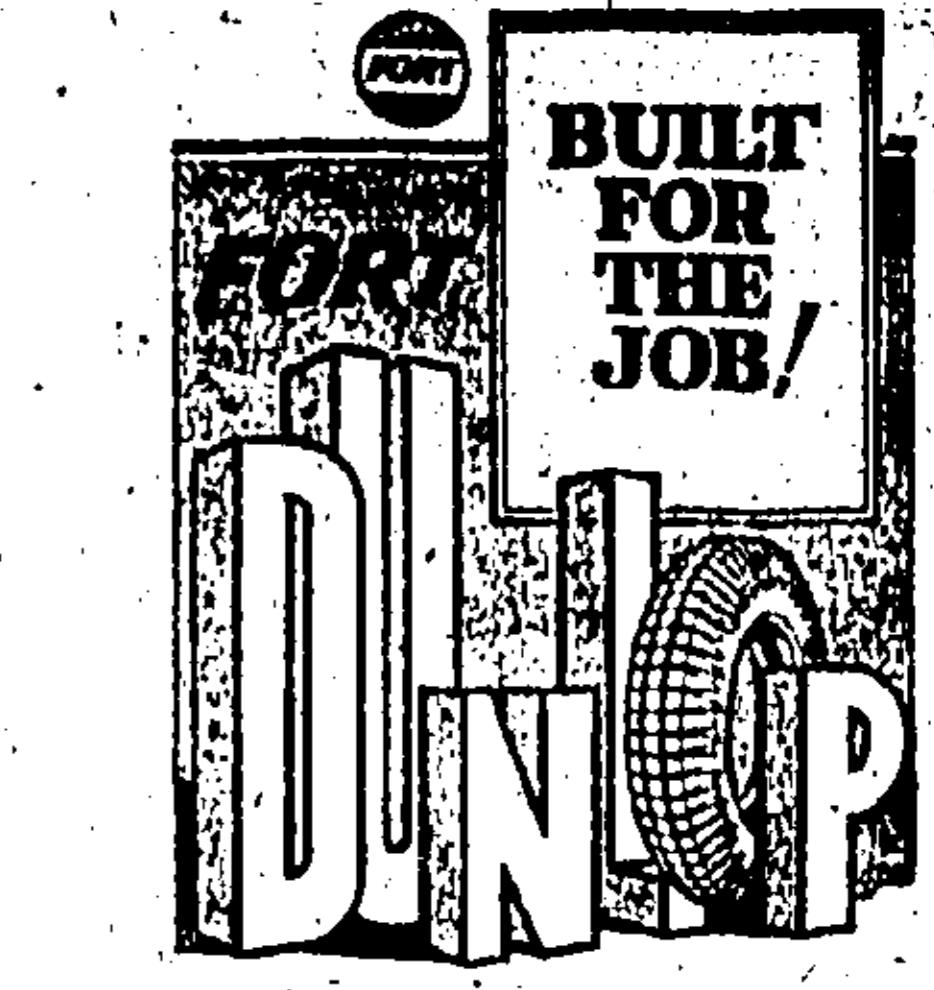
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MAN SHOT DOWN IN THE CITY.

JUBILEE STREET SENSATION.

BADLY WOUNDED: TWO BULLETS.

ATTACKER FREE.

A sensational street shooting incident, which, for sheer boldness, has only been rivalled in recent years by the murder of Mr. Lee Hysan, occurred at 11:30 a.m. this morning at the junction of Connaught Road Central and Jubilee Street, by the side of the Fire Station building.

A young Chinese, well-dressed and apparently educated, was fired at when walking along Connaught Road Central, one of the most crowded thoroughfares in the central district.

The feature of this amazing affair, however, was that his assailant was able to escape without anybody in the vicinity being able to give a satisfactory description to the Police, who were on the scene within a few minutes.

Seriously Wounded.

Details are scanty at present, but it would appear from inquiries made in Jubilee Street, that two shots were fired. This was borne out by the injuries to the victim, who was struck by two bullets in the lower ribs.

He was still alive but in a serious condition on the arrival of Police officers, and was immediately sent to the Government Civil Hospital.

It is understood that, he was unable to speak English or was in a too serious condition to speak coherently when questioned by the Police with the result that no light has been thrown on the incident beyond the belief that it has some connexion with the Communist movement in Hongkong.

Emergency Squad Out.

The Emergency Squad attached to Headquarters was on the scene ten minutes from the actual time of the shooting, but other Police officers were already there. First aid as far as practicable was applied to the injured man, who was, as stated, taken to hospital in an ambulance.

Mr. T. Murphy, A.S.P., was among those seen engaged on the case by a *Telegraph* reporter.

Jubilee Street was surrounded by a huge crowd, which had to be kept back by a large squad of Police.

On the roadside close to the pavement on the Fire Station side was a pool of blood, which was pointed out as the spot on which the victim fell after being struck by the bullets.

Police Officer's Story.

One Police officer said he was in the Fire Station building at the time of the occurrence. He heard two reports but did not give them a thought as he supposed they were crackers being let off. On hearing a commotion in the street, he leaned out of the window and saw a man lying on the ground.

He rushed downstairs and saw at once that the man had been shot and sent for the ambulance. He sent the injured man to hospital, after making him as comfortable as possible.

Assassin's Escape.

Police officers were soon busy making inquiries from shops in the vicinity, and as far as could be gathered, the assailant made his escape through Jubilee Street in the direction of Des Voeux Road. He was said to have been hiding behind a pillar of the Fire Station building, waiting for the approach of the injured man, but a clear description of him could not be obtained.

Some light may be thrown on the affair by the injured man himself when he has recovered sufficiently to be interviewed. Mean-

'QUAKES IN BALKANS.

HEAVY LOSS OF LIFE FEARED.

PEOPLE IN PANIC.

Belgrade, Mar. 8. Severe earthquake shocks have caused extensive damage in Jugoslavia, and numerous casualties have occurred in the collapse of buildings. The shocks, of more or less severe intensity, have been going on for forty-eight hours and the inhabitants of the affected area are panic-stricken.

Reports of earthquakes in Bulgaria also are to hand, but the damage there has been minor, a message from Sofia stating that two persons were killed and two others were injured as the result of a quake this morning affecting a village near the Greek frontier.

This is the total casualty list

for Bulgaria, but the official figures for Jugoslavia are to-day estimated at 24 killed and 70 injured. It is feared that this death-roll will be increased.

Telephone communication with many places has been interrupted and it is believed that the total of the victims will be much higher.

The King and the Prime Minister have gone to the stricken area to assist in relief work, which the military authorities are organizing very rapidly.

The population is in a state of panic and has been encamped in the fields.—*Reuter*.

FRENCH "RUGGER" PROBLEMS.

FEDERATION TO SEEK REMEDY.

Paris, Mar. 8. The French Rugby Federation to-day passed a resolution unanimously declaring that "in view of the extremely grave situation which a definite rupture of international relations would create for French rugby, all proper measure should be taken to assure the continuance of relations with the British Federation and to realize the unity of French rugby."

This resolution is the sequel to the decision of the four British Federations to ban international matches with France and French clubs until the brutal methods of play etc. have been improved.

A committee has been appointed to examine the best means of attaining the desired result in France, and for proposing the necessary reforms.—*Reuter*.

PAUL WHITEMAN DIVORCED.

WIFE AWARDED ALIMONY AND INSURANCE.

New York, Mar. 8. Mr. Paul Whiteman, the "Jazz King," has been divorced by his wife on the ground of desertion. His wife, who was formerly the well-known singer Vanda Hoff, will receive \$500 a week and insurance policies totalling \$80,000. Whiteman is to have the custody of their seven-year-old son, for three months each year.

CANADIAN MINISTER TO WASHINGTON.

MAJOR W. D. HERRIDGE APPOINTED.

Ottawa, Mar. 8. Major W. D. Herridge, D.S.O., M.C., has been appointed Canadian Minister Plenipotentiary at Washington, in succession to Hon. Mr. C. Vincent Massey.—*Reuter's American Service*.

While the Police are making all inquiries possible.

Victim a Detective.

Later. It is learned that the victim is a detective from Carlton who had come down here in connexion with anti-Communist activities. He was carrying a pair of handcuffs when he was shot, but it has not been ascertained if he had any arms on him.

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AUSTRALIAN SENT TO PRISON.

THREE LOCAL SHOPS VICTIMISED.

FLED TO MANILA BUT BROUGHT BACK.

DELIBERATE FRAUD.

"It was purely and simply a silly whim, executed under the influence of considerable drink, to get my own back on Mr. Whitta," said Terence Joseph Woods, 24, of Sydney, Australia, in answer to three charges of obtaining money and goods by means of false pretences, before Mr. Schofield, at the Central Magistracy this morning.

The charges against the accused were that on February 27 he obtained from the Tung Lee, money-changer, a sum of £60 for which he gave in exchange \$200 and a cheque for \$801 which was not valid; that on the same day he obtained from the Tai Sun Jeweller's shop jewellery for which he gave a cheque for \$150 which was not valid; and that on the following day he obtained some articles of clothing from the Tajmalah Silk Store and tendered another cheque which was found to be not valid as he had no account in the Bank.

The accused pleaded guilty to all the charges.

Formed Buyers' Association.

Outlining the facts, Inspector Shannon said the accused came to the Colony about October, 1930, from Australia. About November, he made the acquaintance of Mr. Whitta, proprietor of the Used Cars, Limited and obtained his permission to put a desk in his office. He formed an Association called the Combined Buyers Association and carried on business, which, as far as was known, was quite legitimate. His desk was still in Mr. Whitta's office.

On February 27, about 9:30 p.m., the accused went to the Tung Lee money-changer's shop at 37, Queen's Road, Central, and made arrangements to get £75 and said he would come for the money in the morning. He then left and went to the Tai Sun Jeweller's shop at 57, Queen's Road, and purchased a jade necklace and a pair of jade earrings, which he had delivered to his office, and tendered a cheque for \$150. On the following morning, about nine o'clock, he went to the Tung Lee money-changer's and obtained the £75 in Australian bank-notes and gave in exchange \$200 and a cheque of \$801. After leaving the shop, he went to the Tajmalah Silk Store and bought two shirts and three suits of pyjamas, for \$45.00, for which he tendered another cheque.

He then left on the a.s. Tanda, which sailed about 10:45 a.m. About an hour later, reports were made to the police by Mr. Whitta and the other complainants. Enquiries were made and the defendant was found to have sailed under his own name for Manila. The Manila police were informed and he was arrested on arrival.

Accused, waived the extradition proceedings and returned to the Colony on the President Cleveland on March 1, when he (the Inspector) met the accused on board and took him into custody. The Purser handed over to him all the property mentioned in the charges. The accused was taken to the Central Police Station and detained. It was found, from enquiries made, that on the afternoon of February 27, the accused had frequented a local hotel and had had a good deal of drink. That was before he visited the shop in question.

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In the course of a meeting, a resolution was passed urging the Government to fix the number of women representatives at the National Peoples Congress in May, and demanding the fuller participation of women in governmental affairs in the future.

Demands for Place in Government.

(Our Own Correspondent).

Shanghai, Mar. 9. Over four hundred women met yesterday at Nanking for the purpose of celebrating International Women's Day and demonstrating for the benefit of the Nationalist Government.

Imports of silver into India in 1930 amounted to about 86,000,000 ounces, and into China, about 185,000,000.

The production for the year is estimated at 224,000,000, which compares with 252,000,000 in 1929 and 257,000,000 in 1928. It is the lowest since 1924. The American reduction is estimated at 10,000,000 ounces. Mexican, 8,000,000 ounces, and \$1 million elsewhere. Canadian production increased about 3,000,000 ounces.

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BITTER FIGHT AT ST. GEORGE'S.

MR. BALDWIN SLATES HIS OPPONENTS.

PERSUASIVE BEAUTY.

London, Mar. 8. "Insolent and irresponsible plutocracy trying to dictate to a great party, their leadership and party."

This is Mr. Stanley Baldwin's description of the Independent Conservative candidate at St. George's, Westminster, Sir Ernest Petter, and his supporters, who include Lord Rothermere and Lord Beaverbrook.

The bye-election promises to be one of the most interesting since the General Election, as it means a straight fight between two rival sections of the Conservative, and Sir Ernest Petter, who is asking the electors to return him to Parliament in order to give Mr. Baldwin notice to quit the leadership.

Lady Diana Duff-Coooper, a celebrated beauty, is helping her husband by persuasive canvassing

on the future outlook, it is pointed out that even in times of undisturbed political conditions it has been a matter of difficulty to attempt a forecast of the trend of silver, and to do so at the present time presents even more difficulties.

The situation in China has become more hopeful and it is much to be desired that that country may now be able to enjoy freedom from internal disturbances, thus giving the Chinese Government an opportunity of devoting their energies to the re-establishment of trade, for a revival of China's export trade would do much to restore confidence in the future of silver.

Too Much Silver.

The affairs of India, the other great silver consuming country of the East, are engaging the utmost efforts of statesmanship in order that a settlement of her difficulties may be found. The satisfactory solution of the problem is of the utmost necessity if her trade is not to be hampered in a struggle already rendered difficult by world-wide depression. If it be admitted that the low level to which prices have fallen is due to the present existence of too much silver in the world, then any improvement must come from an increased demand, and the likelihood of the latter's future depends on the market.

She was a great success in canvassing in this way with the mill-girls at Oldham, Lancashire, during her husband's campaign in 1924/25. She is equally confident of coaxing the middle-class women of Westminster.—*Reuter*.

Arts and Crafts.

Naturally the low value of silver gives rise to consideration as to whether greater use of the metal could not be made for the manufacture of articles of utility at prices more commensurate with the intrinsic value of the silver contents. This possibility is worthy of examination: it should not be beyond the powers of science to find some way to prevent or to minimise the tendency to tarnish, which is considered one of the great drawbacks of silver as a medium for the application of the arts and crafts. The discovery of stainless steel has proved of inestimable value; it is not possible therefore that discovery of a means for the treatment of silver would be equally or even more valuable?

The question of the future of silver, however, is still one of supply and demand, and whilst the former is perhaps assured, it is the probable extent of the latter that renders the outlook so uncertain.

The Year's Production.

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MORE RAIN AND FOG.

The Royal Observatory reports that the anticyclone has weakened and is now central near Shanghai. Moderate monsoon along the S.E. coast of China and over the North China Sea. Local forecast:—N.E. winds moderate—fair at first, some light rain and fog later.

STABILISATION OF SILVER VERY UNLIKELY.

ANALYSIS OF THE POSITION.

UNCERTAINTY OF THE FUTURE.

LONDON OPINION.

An opinion against the likelihood of the stabilisation of silver by international agreement is expressed in the annual bullion letter published by Messrs. Samuel Montagu and Co., the well-known London bullion merchants.

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A BANK MEETING.

SATISFACTORY YEAR FOR
BANK OF CANTON.

The 20th yearly Ordinary General Meeting of the Bank of Canton, Ltd., was held at 12 o'clock noon on Saturday, the 7th March, 1931, at No. 6 Des Voeux Road, Central. In the Bank's Board Room, and there were present: Mr. Li Yuk-ton, Chairman of the Bank and Messrs. Leck Poong-shan (Chief Manager), Li Tze-chung (Manager), M. Wong, Chan Fu-chuen, Ng Iu-ting, Ng Yeo-hon, Li Sing-keung, Tsang Iu-ting (Directors); Yuen Shin-kam, Chan Wal-tai, Lam Kau-nau, Quan Shee-john, Ng Fung-chau, Chan Sung-hon and many other shareholders.

After the notice convening the meeting was read, the Chairman said:

It is again my privilege to preside at this yearly meeting and also my pleasure to take this opportunity to offer you my hearty greetings of the season.

The report, and the statement of accounts for the year 1930 have been in your hands for the required period and with your permission I propose to take them as read. The profit for the year, including the sum of \$106,843.22 brought forward from the previous year, amounts to \$1,427,082.11, which I think you will agree with me is a very satisfactory result of the year's working.

Notwithstanding the general trade depression in this Colony and throughout the world, the Balance Sheet before you shows an increase in our resources by about \$8,500,000 over that of the previous year, but we hope to see better prospects of our Bank in future years when the time of general trade depression has passed away.

I wish to express to all members of our Bank's staff both here and abroad our thanks for, and appreciation of, the services which they rendered in bringing about the good result of the year's working.

As there is nothing further that requires any comment from me, I would ask one of you to propose the adoption of the report and accounts as presented. After this has been duly seconded, I will try my best to answer any question that you may want to ask.

The adoption of the report and accounts was proposed and seconded. No question was asked.

The adoption of the report and accounts was put to the meeting and carried unanimously.

Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth & Fleming were re-elected auditors for the ensuing year at an increased remuneration of \$2,800 per annum.

The Chairman informed the meeting that the Dividend Warrants would be ready in due course.

Immediately preceding the yearly Ordinary General Meeting, an Extraordinary General Meeting was held at the same place and the following resolution was passed unanimously:

That the Articles of Association be altered in manner following:

(a) By substituting in Article 94 for the figures "101" the figures "105".

(b) By substituting in Article 131 for the word "Five" the word "Nine" in the fourth line thereof.

(c) By substituting in Article 131 for the words "6% out of the annual net profits" in the 9th and 10th lines thereof the words "10% of the balance of the annual net profits after providing a sufficient amount for payment of a dividend at the rate of 6% on the paid-up capital of the Company for the time being."

MR. SNOWDEN ILL.

COMPLICATIONS AFTER
ATTACK OF INFLUENZA.

London, Mar. 7.—The Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Philip Snowden, who has been ill with influenza for some time, has developed complications, and his doctors have called in Sir John Thomson-Walker, the Harley Street specialist.

A bulletin says that he is suffering from cystitis, a form of internal inflammation, following his recent influenza and will be confined to his room for some weeks. No anxiety need be felt.

It is doubtful if Mr. Snowden will be able to present the budget to the House of Commons in April.

—Reuter.

COMPANY RESULT.

A.S. WATSON & CO., LTD.
ANNUAL REPORT.

The report of the General Manager of A. S. Watson and Co., Ltd., for the year ended October 31, 1930, for presentation to the Shareholders at the forty-sixth annual ordinary general meeting of the Company to be held at the Hongkong Hotel, on Monday March 10, at 11.30 a.m., states:

Gentlemen.—We beg to lay before you a statement of the Company's business with the Balance Sheet for the year ended the 31st October, 1930.

The Net Profit of the Company for the year under review, after providing for all bad and doubtful debts, and allowing for depreciation of Armed Water and other Machinery and Plant, Furniture, Fittings, Trade Utensils, etc., amounted to \$124,660.30

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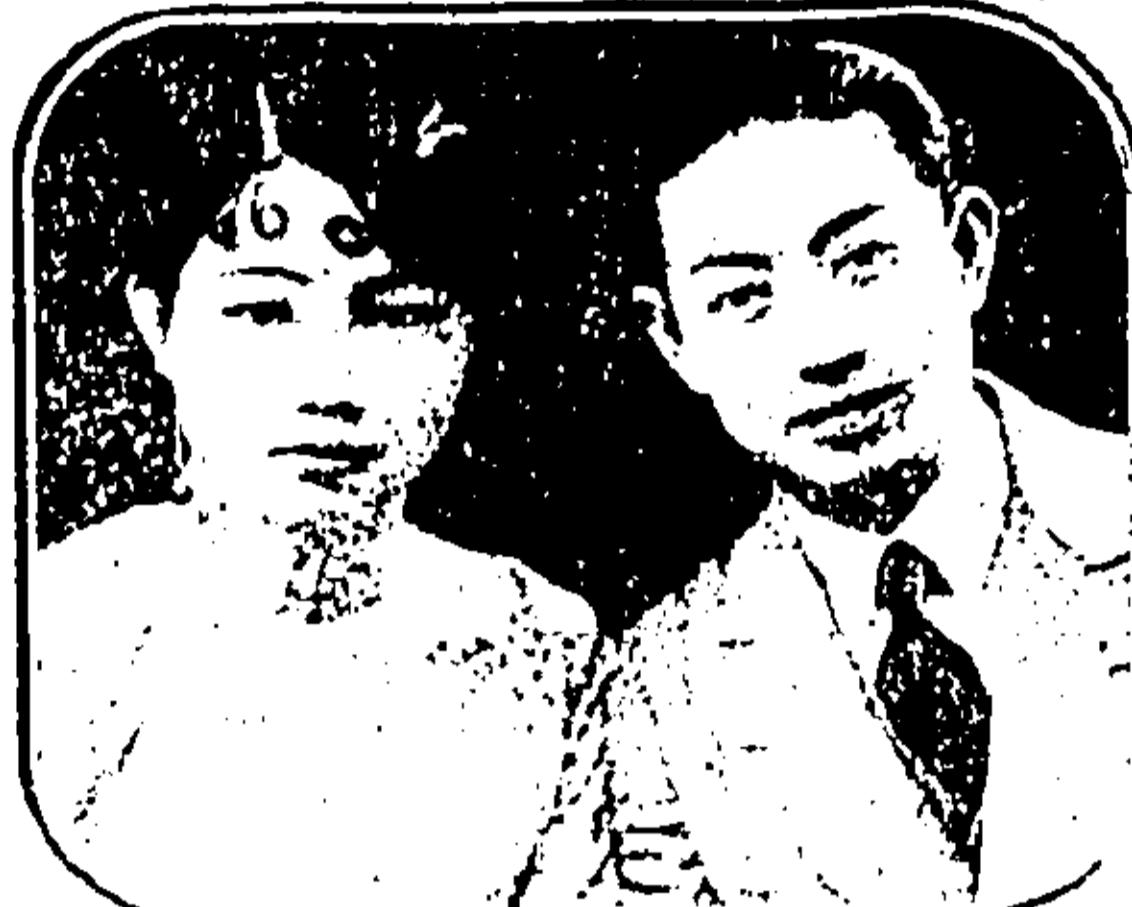
Some excellent snaps taken at a recent Shanghai rugger match. Some fine runs by the threes were seen, but play generally was scrappy.



Sir Meyrick and Lady Hewlett, who recently left on home leave. He is H. B. M. Consul-General in Nanking.



Major F. W. Gerrard, Commissioner of the Shanghai Police, who is on his way home.



Mr. and Mrs. Mai Lan-fang. His recent American tour is said to have cost his backers £88,000.



Mr. Cecil Sellers, who has just taken up a post with the China Airways Inc.



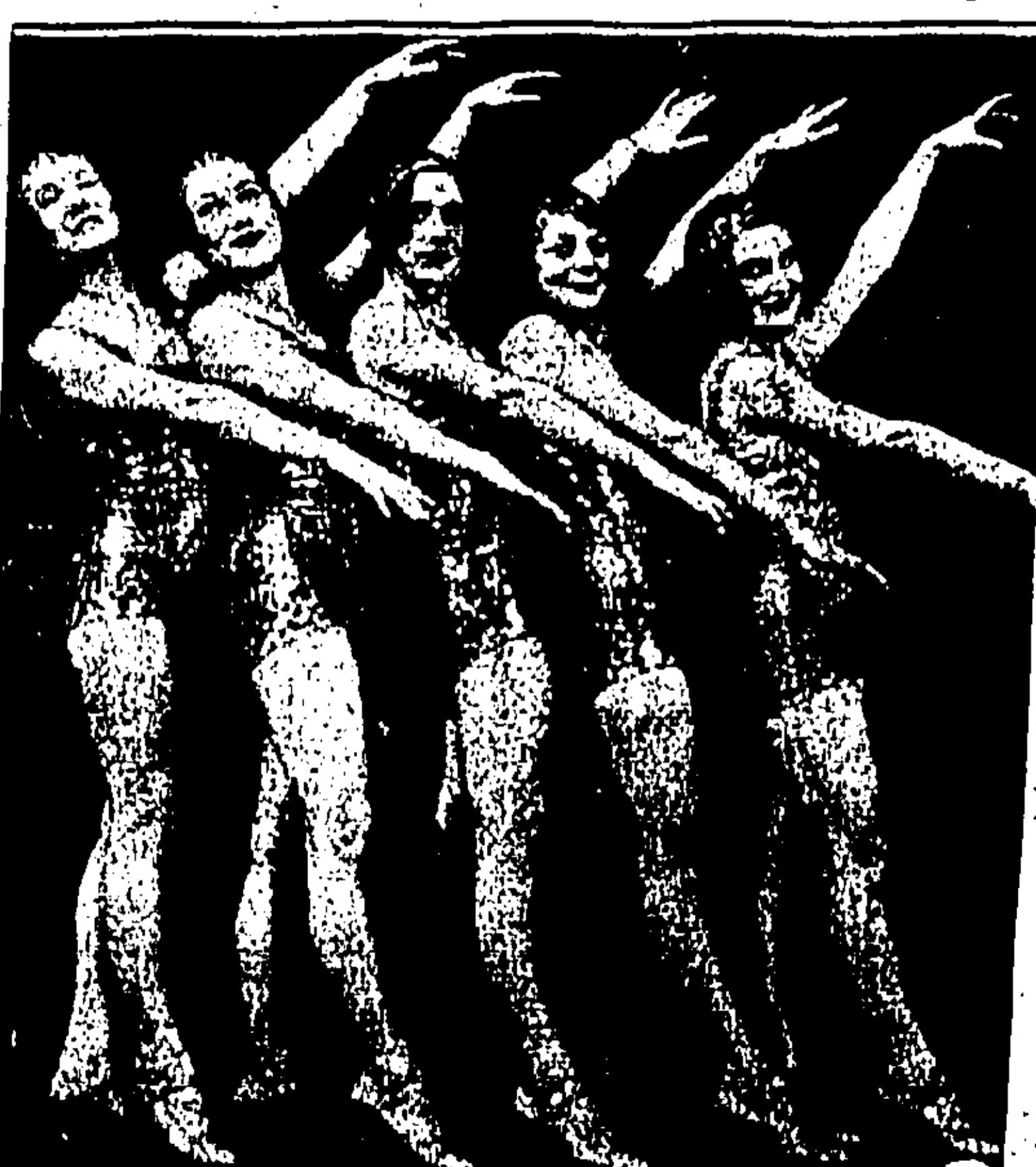
This unusual photograph shows a parachute jumper floating down after a leap from an aeroplane at high altitude.



Miss Betty Johnson, Queen of the Snow, at the Los Angeles winter carnival.



Governor Pinchot, recently re-elected for Pennsylvania, is shown above taking the oath of office in front of the State House at Harrisburg.



"The Snaky Crawl," a clever dance number from the Shanghai A. D. C. production "Shanghai Lights," which opened last week at the Lyceum.



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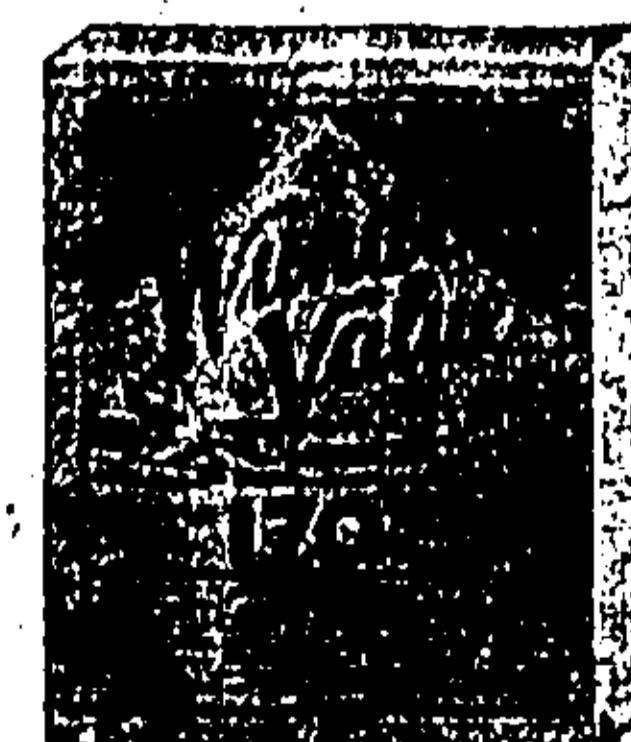
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From SEATTLE, VANCOUVER and
VICTORIA via JAPAN.
are requested to take delivery of
Flour and Lumber shipments as soon
as the vessel is ready to discharge
and are hereby notified that if their
lighters are not placed alongside the
steamer as required, their shipments
will be discharged into Holt's Wharf
Kowloon, at their expense, where the
cargo will lie also at their risk and
expense and subject to the terms and
conditions of storage at Holt's Wharf.
Steamer will commence discharge on
the 7th March, 1931.

General cargo will be discharged
into Holt's Wharf Kowloon,
where it will lie at Consignees' risk
and subject to the terms and conditions
of storage at Holt's Wharf.
The cargo will be ready for delivery
from the Godown on and after 7th
March, 1931.

All broken, crushed, and damaged
goods are to be left in the Godown,
where they will be examined on any
Tuesday and Friday between the
hours of 10.45 a.m. and noon within
the free storage period.

No claims will be admitted after
the Goods have left the steamer's
Godown, and all General Cargo
remaining undelivered after the 13th
March 1931, will be subject to rent.

All claims against the Steamer
must be presented to the undersigned
on or before the 27th March 1931,
or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, 7th March, 1931.

New Advertisements.

THE HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

Owners are reminded that
entries for the First Extra Race
Meeting to be held on Saturday,
14th March, 1931 (weather permitting)
will close on MONDAY,
9th March, 1931, at 12 o'clock
noon.

By Order,
C. H. BROWN,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 6th March, 1931.

A. S. WATSON & CO. LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
that the Forty-sixth Annual
Ordinary General Meeting of the
Company (since its registration)
will be held at the Hongkong
Hotel, Hongkong, on Monday, the
16th March, 1931, at 11.30 a.m.,
for the purpose of receiving the
Report of the General Managers,
together with a Statement of Ac-
counts for the year ended 31st
October, 1930.

The Register of Shares of the
Company will be closed from
Wednesday, the 11th day of March,
to Tuesday, the 17th day of March,
1931, both days inclusive, during
which period no transfer of
shares can be registered.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers,
Hongkong, 5th March, 1931.

THE HONGKONG ROPE
MANUFACTURING CO., LTD.

Notice is hereby given that
the Forty-seventh Ordinary
General Meeting of Shareholders
in the above Company will be held
at St. George's Building
Chater Road, Victoria, Hongkong,
on Friday, the 27th March, 1931,
at 11 o'clock a.m., for the purpose
of receiving a Statement of Ac-
counts for the year ended 31st
December, 1930, and to transact
the ordinary business of the
Company.

The Transfer Books of the Company
will be closed from Saturday,
14th March, 1931, until Friday,
27th March, 1931, both days
inclusive.

By order of the Board of Directors,
SHEWAN, TOME & CO.,
General Managers,
Hongkong, 2nd March, 1931.

ASSOCIATION OF SUBSCRIBERS
of the
KOWLOON TONG BUILDING
SCHEME.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
that a meeting of the Subscribers
of the above Scheme and of all
others who may be owners of
houses comprised in the Kowloon
Tong Building Scheme will be held
at the Garden City Club, 119,
Waterloo Road, Kowloon Tong, on
Saturday, the 13th day of March,
1931, at 3 p.m. for the following
purpose:-

1. To receive a Report of the
Settlement of all outstanding
matters other than the Flush
System, from the Committee.
2. To receive from the Committee
a Statement of Account in connection
with the dispute between the Sub-
scribers, the Kowloon Tong
and New Territories Develop-
ment Company, Limited and the
Government, and the settlement
of the same.
3. To authorise the Committee
of the Association of Sub-
scribers of the Kowloon Tong
Building Scheme to pay out
of the surplus moneys now
under their control, all legal
and other expenses of the
Committee in connection with
the dispute between the Sub-
scribers, the Kowloon Tong
and New Territories Develop-
ment Company, Limited and the
Government, and to dis-
tribute any sum which may
then remain either amongst
the Subscribers or otherwise
deal with the same for the
benefit of the Kowloon Tong
area in such manner as the
Meeting may determine.

4. To authorise the Committee
to sign on behalf of all Sub-
scribers any indemnity necessary
to carry out the terms of
settlement as provided by the
terms of a letter written on
behalf of the Government by
the Colonial Secretary to
Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and
Master on behalf of the Sub-
scribers and dated the 29th
day of May, 1930.

Dated this 2nd day of March
1931.

By order of the Committee,
H. F. UN,
Hon. Secretary.

THEATRE ROYAL

ART
and
MRS. BOTTLE

7, 10, 13 and 14 March
at 9.15

11th March
at 5.15

Booking at Anderson's

THE HONGKONG FIRE
INSURANCE CO. LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

The Sixty-second Ordinary
General Meeting of Shareholders
will be held at the Office of the
undersigned on Thursday, the 26th
March, 1931, at Noon, for the
purpose of receiving the Report
of the General Managers, together
with a statement of Accounts for
the year ended 31st December,
1930.

The Share Register and Transfer
Books will be closed from the 12th
to the 26th March, 1931, both days
inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON &
COMPANY, LIMITED.
General Managers,
The Hongkong Fire Insurance
Co., Ltd.
Hongkong, 5th March, 1931.

THE HONGKONG & KOWLOON
WHARF & GODOWN CO., LTD.

Notice to Shareholders.

THE FORTY-FOURTH ORDINARY
ANNUAL MEETING OF
SHAREHOLDERS will be held at
the Office of Messrs. Jardine,
Matheson & Co., Ltd., on THURSDAY,
the 19th March, 1931, AT
NOON, for the purpose of receiving
the Report of the Directors
and the Statement of Accounts for
the year ended 31st December,
1930.

The Transfer Books of the Company
will be CLOSED from Tuesday,
the 10th March, 1931, to
Thursday, the 19th March, 1931,
both days inclusive.

By order of the Board of Directors,
F. H. CRAPNELL,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 2nd March, 1931.

THE DAIRY FARM ICE & COLD
STORAGE COMPANY, LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

Notice is hereby given that the
Thirty-fifth Ordinary Yearly
Meeting of the Shareholders in
the Company will be held at the
Company's Office 2 Lower
Albert Road, on Wednesday, the
18th March, 1931 at Noon, for the
purpose of receiving the Report
of the Directors together with
Statement of Accounts, declaring a
Dividend and re-electing Directors
and Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company
will be closed from the 7th
to the 18th March 1931, both days
inclusive.

3. To authorise the Committee
of the Association of Sub-
scribers of the Kowloon Tong
Building Scheme to pay out
of the surplus moneys now
under their control, all legal
and other expenses of the
Committee in connection with
the dispute between the Sub-
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Dated this 2nd day of March
1931.

By Order of the Board,
W. L. MCKENZIE,
Secretary.

14, Des Voeux Road Central,
Hongkong.

Lammert's Auctions

PUBLIC AUCTION.

The Undersigned have received
instructions to sell by Public
Auction,

on Tuesday,
the 10th March, 1931,
commencing at 2.30 p.m.
at their Sales Room,
4, Duddell Street.

A Large Quantity of Valuable
Household Furniture
comprising:-

Tenk Hutsstands, Glass Cabinets,
Chesterfield Couches and Arm-
chairs, Gramophones, Records,
Bookcases, Desks, Office Chairs,
Tapis, Carpets and Rugs, Cabin
and Wardrobe Trunks, Porcelain
Flower Pots and Vases, Pictures,
Hand Paintings, etc. etc.

Tenk Extension Dining Tables,
Dining Chairs, Sideboards,
Crockery, Glass Ware, Cutlery,
Cooking Utensils, Ice Chests,
Dresser Tables, Chest of drawers,
Washstands, Blankets, Linen, etc.
etc.

Tenk and Brass Bedsteads with
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Bevelled Mirrors, Lacquer Tea-
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A Quantity of Blackwood
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including:-

Joss Tables, Cabinets, Jardine-
nieres, Armchairs, Majong Table,
Tea Pots, Opium Stools, etc. etc.
1 Motor Cycle (B.S.A.)

On View from Monday,
the 9th March, 1931.

Terms:—Cash on Delivery.

LAMMERT BROS.,
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PUBLIC AUCTION.

The Undersigned have received
instructions to sell by Public
Auction,

on Wednesday,
the 11th March, 1931,
commencing at 5.15 p.m.
at their Sales Room,
No. 4, Duddell Street.

A Valuable Collection of
Postage Stamps
On View from Tuesday,
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the 11th March, 1931,
at 3 o'clock p.m.
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FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS

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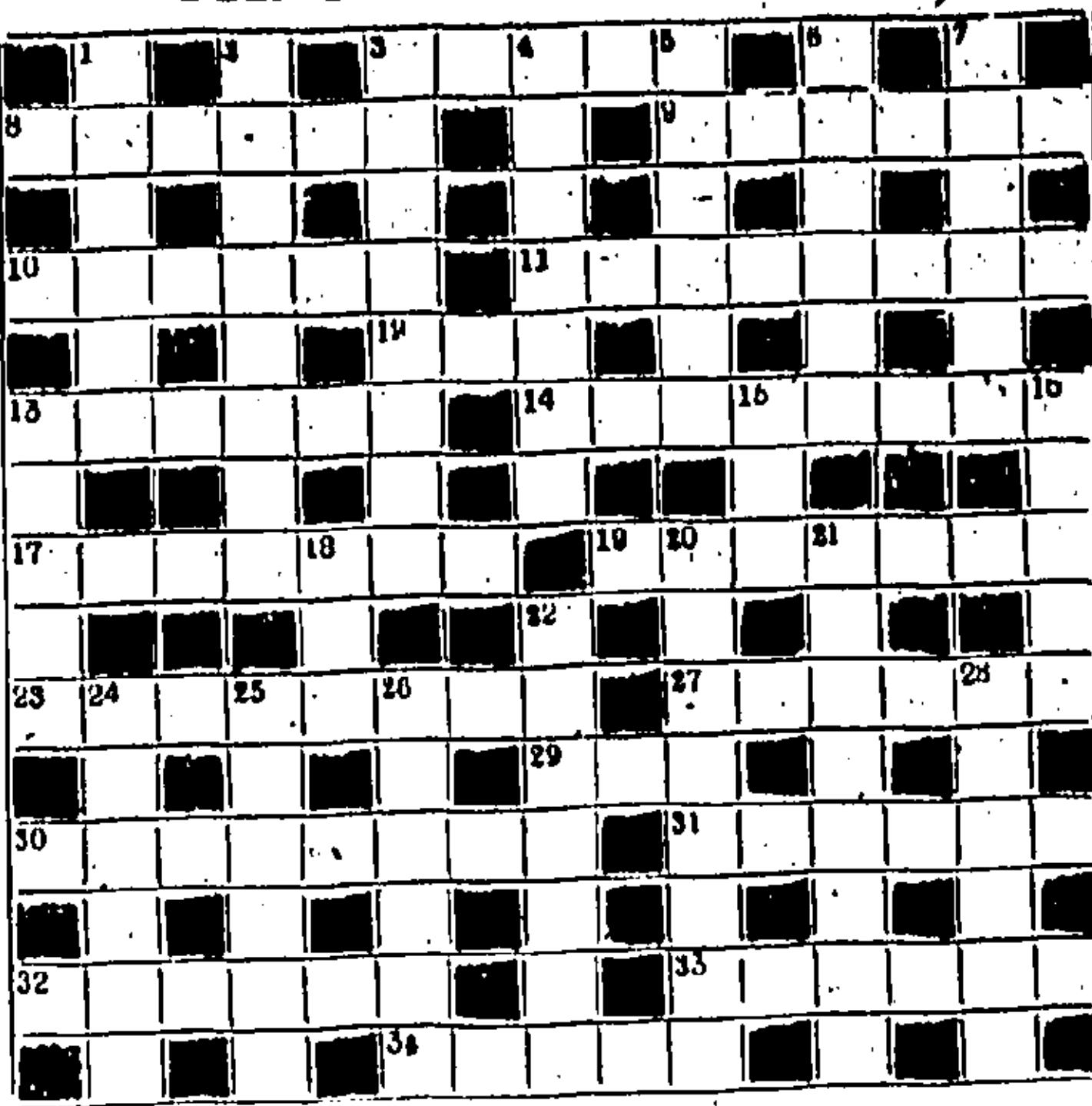


Getting a Bead on That Rope!

FROM HIS HIGH PERCH ON THE OPPOSITE BANK OF THE RIVER, FRECKLES REALIZES THAT THE DIFFICULT TASK OF HELPING THE HERMIT RESTS ON HIS SHOULDERS.

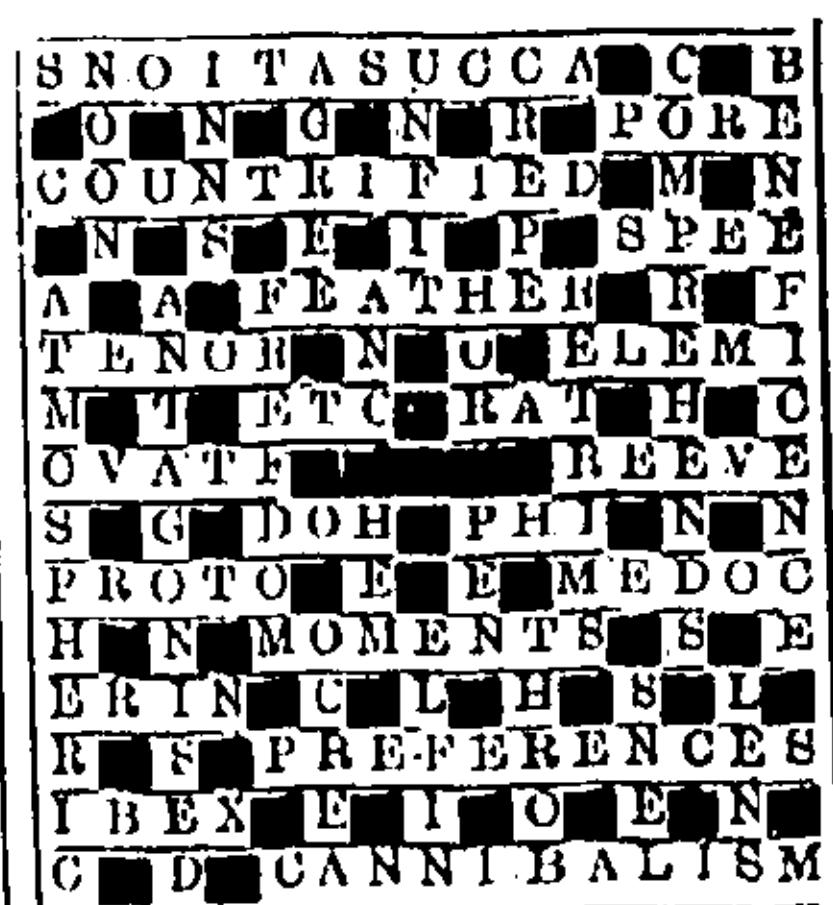


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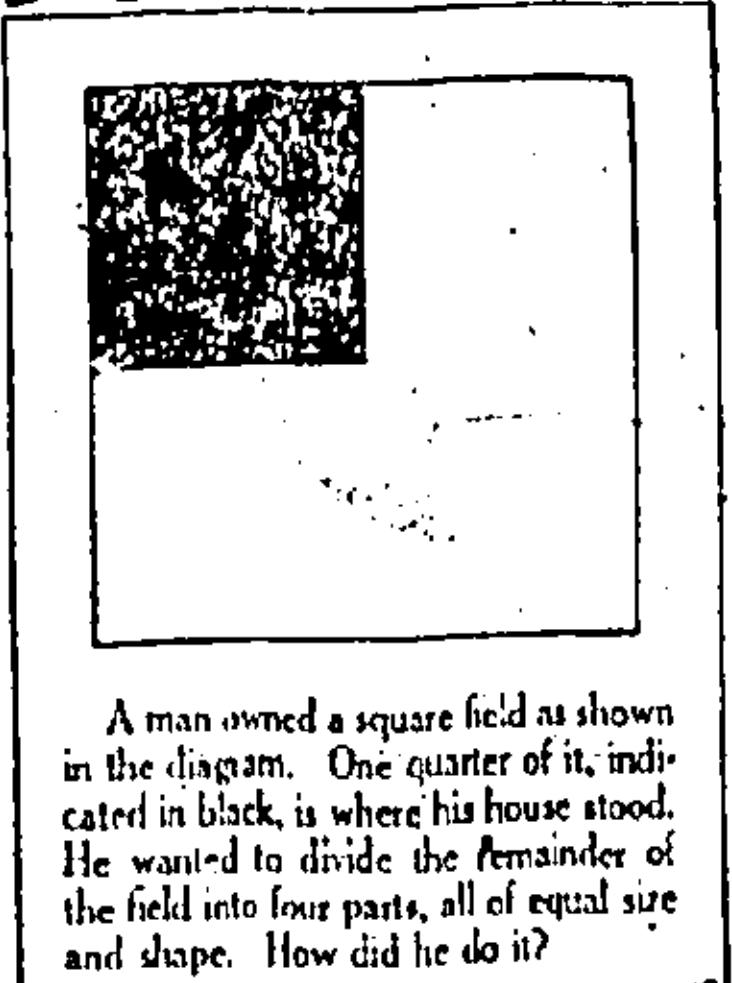
4 This flower has its own one.
5 A powerful acid.
6 Who said, "A little more than kin, and less than kind?"
7 This fare is spare.
13 Hero Pan introduces terror.
15 Get on—and get out!
16 The most famous town in Surrey.
18 This is always a bit of an incubus.
20 He met his death at the hands of a town.
21 Any old place will do.
22 Think! wise men are present.
23 In this one may strike oil.
25 Loose leaves inserted between the pages of a periodical.
26 Cut off including the lid.
28 Here a small sailing vessel is the centre of the disturbance.

Saturday's Solution



1 When the fete is finished this is quite all out.
2 Lent stalks.
3 A weapon. Immediately after the start reverse it, then allow to.

STICKERS



A man owned a square field as shown in the diagram. One quarter of it, indicated in black, is where his house stood. He wanted to divide the remainder of the field into four parts, all of equal size and shape. How did he do it?

CINEMA NOTES

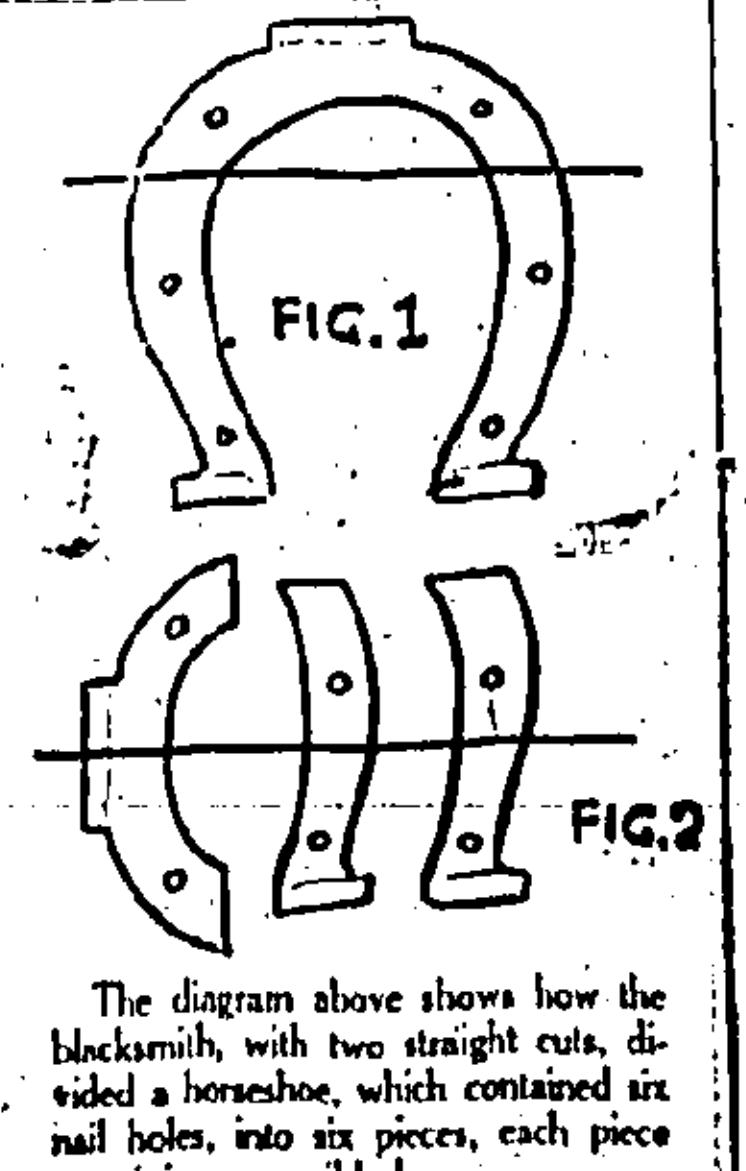
"WHY BRING THAT UP?" AT THE CENTRAL.

Moran and Mack, the Two Black Crows, made their picture debut to success, a girl, Evelyn Brent, comes in and separates Moran from Central Theatre audiences yesterday in "Why Bring That Up?", named, no doubt, after that famous expression of languidness of theirs.

Besides giving the audience a chance to find out just which was Moran and who was Mack, who by the way are called by their right names in the picture, they presented a delightful bit of entertainment.

Oscarus Foy Cohen, the author of "Why Bring That Up?" is said to have written the story loosely about the actual lives of Moran and Mack. Whether he did or not, the picture has a consistent plot, which is so often

Saturday's Solution.



The diagram above shows how the blacksmith, with two straight cuts, divided a horseshoe, which contained six nail holes, into six pieces, each piece containing one nail hole.

Including in first vehicles of popular stage stars, Moran and Mack team up, start their famous "Two Black Crows" routine and start on the road to success, a girl, Evelyn Brent, comes in and separates Moran from some of his earnings, and splits up, or rather threatens to, this team who are so devoted to each other. But events transpire to the contrary. Moran and Mack introduce parts of their former successes and add several new numbers—in the same vein. The stage sequences are elaborately screened with much realism. "Why Bring That Up?" should have a very satisfactory showing here. Fans will be only too happy to be satisfied as to just what these record and radio artists look and act like, but will see and hear a striking piece of entertainment.

By Blosser



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DEATH.

BENJAMIN.—Dolly, wife of Saseon Benjamin, on 8th March, 1931, at Cap Martin, France. (By cable).

The Hongkong Telegraph.

MONDAY, MARCH 9, 1931.

A BETTING TAX.

A further reminder that the Government is in need of funds is provided by the increases in the parcels post rates, these having been foreshadowed quite recently when the Colony's financial position was explained at some length in the Legislative Council. Once again, it is the fall in the value of the dollar which has necessitated this step. To the ordinary resident this 33.1/3 per cent. advance in parcel post rates will mean very little, but business firms will be called upon to shoulder yet another burden. It has already been suggested that the Assessment Tax may have to be raised once again before the year is out, but the Government should realise that there is likely to be considerable opposition to any step in this direction, from householders and business houses alike. More revenue may be needed, admittedly; it should, however, be raised from such sources as will not place a further handicap either on trade or on householders. Business is bad enough as things are, whilst living costs have markedly advanced within the past year. In these circumstances, it is the duty of the Government to explore the full possibilities of taxation in directions which will inflict as little hardship as possible.

In this connexion, the suggestion has again been put forward that the Government should institute a betting tax. We thoroughly agree with this idea, as it is obvious that a very considerable source of revenue could be raised from this source without the least difficulty. We have just concluded Race Week in Hongkong, and it is safe to say that on the course alone well over two million dollars has changed hands in the sweeps and parimutuel booths. A five per cent. betting tax would thus yield at least a lakh of dollars from the annual Race Meeting alone. This sum, however, by no means exhausts the possibilities. Besides the annual Races we have regular Extra Meetings, to say nothing of the Fanling Hunt fixtures, in addition to which account must be taken of the huge sums of money which are subscribed during Race Week to various Club sweeps.

These latter are now legalised, and they should be tapped for much-needed revenue. No plea of hardship could be raised if a betting tax were instituted, since the man who can afford to gamble can well afford to pay a little extra and thus help the Colony's finances. Indeed, a betting tax is a luxury tax pure and simple. It is in force at Home, and there is no reason why it should not be introduced here in Hongkong. Unlike many other types of taxes, it should be extremely easy to collect, and there would not be the least opportunity for evasion.

From every standpoint, such a tax as we urge is justified. Objections on moral grounds can be put aside, for if the "tautened money" argument were raised it could be shown that the Colony already receives a considerable proportion of its revenue from opium and liquor, whilst even in England the consideration mentioned does not deter the Government from securing funds from the proceeds of gambling. In one of his despatches to the Colonial Office, Sir Cecil Clementi mentioned the possibility of raising revenue from amusement and betting taxes, but expressed a doubt whether these would be very productive. Since then, however, the Government has found a very useful source in the amusement tax, and we imagine that a betting tax would be just as productive, if even not more so. Before any other steps are taken, therefore, we trust that the Government will investigate this matter, feeling convinced that the easily-calculated estimates would show the idea to be well worth while.

The Health Bulletin of Eastern Ports for the week ending 28th February shows the following cases:

Plague—Baghdad 1, Colombo 1, Bangkok 3; Cholera—Madras 14, Negapatam 2, Chittagong 6, Pondicherry 31, Saigon 3; Small-pox—Bombay 3, Cochin 16, Karachi 4, Madras 3, Hangon 1, Vizagapatam 8, Chittagong 2, Penang 2, Saigon 2, Shanghai 4; Greater Shanghai 2.

A boiler-maker named Li Chung, of 385, Shanghai Street, has been removed to the Kwong Wah Hospital suffering from injuries to his back caused by a boiler at the Tung Hing Looms Engineering Works, Shamshuipo, falling on him.

Newa was received by cable in Hongkong to-day of the death, which occurred yesterday at Cap Martin, France, of the wife of Mr. Saseon Benjamin, at one time senior partner in Messrs. Benjamin and Potts. As a mark of respect, the firm's office is being closed this afternoon.

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Mr. A. Strok, the well-known impresario, arrived in the Colony by the a.s. President Madison, being accompanied by Toti dal Monte, described as the world's greatest coloratura soprano, and Enzo de Muro Lomanto, famous tenor from La Scala. They are on their way to Manila, but will appear in Hongkong towards the end of this month. Mr. Strok says they are the biggest attraction he has ever brought to the East.

Father Robert, who is well-known in Hongkong and who worked for 36 years in China, delivered a lecture in Paris recently on China. He said that it was estimated that during the seven years from 1923 to 1930 not far from 20,000,000 human beings had lost their lives in China from other than ordinary causes. Of these, he said, about 4,000,000 died of hunger. Father Robert traced the course of Soviet intrigues in recent years, and quoted from an order from the Russian Ambassador, Karakhan, the statement that revolution must be fomented in order to pave the way for Communism. He gave details of the large number of diplomatic and other Bolshevik officials, as well as officers of the Red Army who were installed at Peking, Canton and elsewhere. Father Robert's lecture, it is stated, was singularly devoid of rhetoric, being based principally on an examination of historical facts and documents.

Flying Squad.

Squad Drill.—All recruits of the Flying Squad will attend at Police Headquarters for Squad Drill on Thursday, March 12th at 5.30 p.m. under L.S.R. 323. A. W. Mooney.

The weekly instructional patrol of the Kowloon Section will take place on Tuesday, March 10th.

Fall in at Tsim-tsa-tsu Fire Brigade Station at 6.30 p.m. sharp.

Dress—Winter Uniform and Cap with White Cover.

Special Duty.—Members who are detailed for special duty on the occasion of the Inter-University Athletic Competition which will be held at Caroline Hill will parade at Central Police Station on Saturday, March 14th at 12.45 p.m. sharp.

There will be no instructional patrol for the Hongkong Section on Friday, March 13th.

Sharpshooter's Company.

Miniature Range Practice.—The regular weekly practice will be carried out by the members of the Company Rifle Club on Thursday, March 12th at 5.15 p.m.

(Sgd.) D. P. KING,
D.S.P. (R).

SUGAR MARKET.

THE LATEST CABLED QUOTATIONS.

The following cable at the close of the sugar market on Saturday has been received by Messrs. Pen-treat and Co.

London Terminals.

March 1932 6/9 no change.

May 1931 5/10 down 1/2d.

August 1931 6/1/4 down 1/4d.

December 1931 6/5 down 1/4d.

New York Terminals.

March 1932 1/2d.

May 1931 1.20 down 1 pt.

July 1931 1.29 down 1 pt.

September 1931 1.35 down 2 pt.

December 1931 1.48 down 1 pt.

DAY BY DAY

YOU WILL, IN GENERAL, INGRATIATE YOURSELF WITH OTHERS, STILL LESS BY PAYING THEM TOO MUCH COUNT THAN TOO LITTLE—Greville.

The P. and O. s.s. Karmala, from Singapore, is due here at 6 a.m. on Friday.

The P. & O. s.s. Comorin, from Hongkong, arrived at London on 6th March at 10 a.m.

The Hongkong University Union will hold its Annual General Meeting in the Great Hall of the University on the 10th March, 1931 at 5 p.m.

Among those leaving for Home yesterday by the s.s. Khiva were Mr. W. E. and Mr. D. M. Richards (of the Education Department), Mr. E. S. Carter (of the P. W. D.), and Major W. G. H. Miller, R.M.

A servant employed by the Chinese constable of the Water Police Station was given one month's imprisonment by Mr. Hamilton at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning for stealing an overcoat belonging to one of the constables.

On account of bad weather, the annual prize distribution at the Cheung Chau Government School has been postponed to Wednesday, the 11th inst., when Mrs. G. P. de Martin has kindly consented to give away the prizes at 2.30 p.m.

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Father Robert, who is well-known in Hongkong and who worked for 36 years in China, delivered a lecture in Paris recently on China. He said that it was estimated that during the seven years from 1923 to 1930 not far from 20,000,000 human beings had lost their lives in China from other than ordinary causes. Of these, he said, about 4,000,000 died of hunger. Father Robert traced the course of Soviet intrigues in recent years, and quoted from an order from the Russian Ambassador, Karakhan, the statement that revolution must be fomented in order to pave the way for Communism. He gave details of the large number of diplomatic and other Bolshevik officials, as well as officers of the Red Army who were installed at Peking, Canton and elsewhere. Father Robert's lecture, it is stated, was singularly devoid of rhetoric, being based principally on an examination of historical facts and documents.

Flying Squad.

Squad Drill.—All recruits of the Flying Squad will attend at Police Headquarters for Squad Drill on Thursday, March 12th at 5.30 p.m. under L.S.R. 323. A. W. Mooney.

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NEEDS OF CHEERO CLUB.

PERMANENT SECRETARY ADVISABLE.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The impossibility of managing a place such as the Y.M.C.A. Cheero Club without a permanent Secretary was stressed by Mrs. D. J. Lewis in a speech from the chair at the annual meeting of the Ladies' Committee of the Club held this morning. Proper supervision, she commented, was constantly necessary, and although the Service men who had been lent to act as secretaries were willing and capable, the arrangement was not satisfactory.

Mr. R. A. Brown, in presenting the statement of accounts, referred to the welcome increase in the amount of money spent at the Club, which, he said, was an indication of its increasing success.

Mrs. D. J. Lewis, the retiring Chairman, presided, and others present included Mrs. F. C. Bellamy (prospective Chairman), Mr. Justice J. R. Wood, Mr. R. A. Brown (Chairman, Management Committee), and Mr. J. L. Mephereson (Y.M.C.A. General Secretary).

Mrs. Lewis' Speech.

In addressing the meeting, Mrs. Lewis said:—This is our fourth annual meeting and I am sure we can say the year has been a successful one. There is no doubt that the Cheero Club for our Service men should become a permanent institution. Only the people who give their time here, realize, how much the Service men appreciate our small efforts to give them a welcome. It has not been an easy task to keep the Club going from a financial point of view. The Y.M.C.A. unfortunately find they cannot do as much as they have done hitherto. Our Secretary was taken away nearly a year ago and we have had to rely on temporary assistance. This has not been at all satisfactory. It is impossible to run a place like this without a permanent Secretary. Proper supervision is constantly necessary and although the Service men who have been lent to us (to act as Secretaries) are willing and capable, the arrangement is not satisfactory. They no sooner get to know their work than they have to go back to their military duties and we have had three Service men since September.

There is so much to attend to—supervision of the building and Chinese staff, catering and accounts made up daily and the many daily things which need a whole-time Secretary. It also becomes very difficult for the Ladies' Committee to have to see that things are kept in proper working order. I am sure that a permanent Secretary would be an economy in the long run. The building has been generously lent us by the City Hall Committee and our main expenses are light, water, heating and wages. Mr. Brown will discuss accounts with you later.

Magazine Bill.

This last year (owing to the rate of the dollar) our magazine bill cost us \$400. This bill will not be incurred this year as we have had voluntary donations of the following magazines:—Illustrated London News, Graphic, Sphere, Bookman, Pearson's, Argosy, Strand, London Opinion, Humorist, Johnman, Pearson's, Argosy, Strand, Cycling, Punch, Athletic News, Daily Sketch (weekly edition), Modern Wireless, Truth, British Weekly, Observer, Sunday Express, Weekly Scotsman, Manchester Guardian, Times (weekly edition), Pearson's Weekly, Overeas Daily Mail, Tatler, and English Review.

If anyone cares to send us any magazine not already mentioned, we shall be most grateful. Even duplicates are useful, as magazines are not in the main room as well as in the Library. Kindly address to:—Mrs. R. Lindsell, Cheero Club, who has kindly taken over from Mrs. Beavis who is shortly going home.

I myself am leaving for Home on the 28th and Mrs. Bellamy is taking over from me. Mrs. Bellamy has been keenly interested in the Cheero ever since it started and has also acted as Hon. Secretary, so I know I shall be leaving the work in very capable hands.

Thanks Expressed.

I should like to thank my Committee for all their splendid cooperation during this last year and I am certain they will carry on their good work. We owe a great debt of gratitude to Mr. True and his band. He plays regularly for our weekly Monday impromptu dances and for all our subscription dances. He has been most generous in giving us so much of his time. We also thank H.M.S. Medway Band for playing at our other

DEATH OF MR. LAM SHU-CHUEN.

DIRECTOR OF TUNG WAH HOSPITAL.

After a long illness, Mr. Lam Shu-chuen, 25-year-old son of Mr. Lam Cheuk-ming, proprietor of the Loong Shing Jewellery store in Queen's Road Central, and a member of the Directorate of the Tung Wah Hospital, passed away at the Young Wo Nursing Home on Saturday. He is survived by his widow, a sister of Mr. Moi Kon-sang, the well-known compradore of Messrs. Butterfield & Swire, and by two daughters.

The funeral, which took place today at noon, was of an imposing nature, and was attended by several hundred friends. The interment took place at the permanent Chinese Cemetery at Aber-

BEGGAR'S PLEA.

TO BE SENT BACK TO SHEKUNG.

Charged with being a mendicant, a Chinese who was taken into custody, yesterday after accosting a sailor from the French cruiser *Wuldeck Rousseau*, told Mr. Williams, at the Central Magistracy to-day that he had been expelled from Indo-China after serving a term in a gaol there. He was desirous of returning to his native town of Shekung, Kwangtung.

On the undertaking that he would proceed to Shekung, the expense of passage to be paid by the Police, defendant was discharged with a caution.

improvisation dances. We thank too, all the kind people of the Colony who have regularly helped our Committee in making our Christmas and Welcome dances a success by sending us Home-made refreshments, and we also thank the ladies who turn up to our dances. We thank too, Sir William Hornell, the Hon. Mr. Shenton, Mr. T. Pearce and Mrs. Murphy for their generous donation (amounting to \$195) to the Ladies' Committee Personal Fund. Out of this fund we have been able to make the Cheero more attractive. Tea and table cloths have to be replaced frequently. We have been able to get lampshades for library and dining room and many odd things which add to amenities of the place. We still have \$89.40 in our Personal Fund and \$45.60 for the use of the Librarian. New books have to be bought and old ones kept in order and we endeavour to get any book asked for. Suggestion boxes are placed in each room and all suggestions made by the Service men are promptly attended to by our Committee.

New Officers.

The Committee elected for the coming year are as follows:—Mrs. F. C. Bellamy, Chairman; Mrs. R. Lindsell, Chairman of the Library; Mrs. Tinson, Hon. Secretary, Mrs. Drummond, Mrs. Shellshear, Mrs. Aste and Mrs. Scott-Little.

If there are any questions anyone would care to ask I shall be pleased to answer them to the best of my ability.

Financial Position.

Mr. R. A. Brown spoke with appreciation of the work accomplished on behalf of the Cheero Club by the Ladies' Committee, and said that evidence of appreciation of their labours was to be found in the increased numbers making use of the premises. They had no check on the exact numbers who used the Club, but the increased amount spent there was an indication. In 1929 the amount spent was \$11,223, and in 1930, \$14,702, an increase of \$3,479, or 31 per cent. During the last six months of 1929, \$4,175 was spent in the rooms, and for the same period in 1930 this increased to \$8,028, or 92 per cent.

During January this year, \$2,119 had been received, as compared with \$1,040 for the corresponding period of 1929. This was an increase of 111 per cent, which could be regarded as highly satisfactory, since the success of the organisation could be gauged by the amount of money spent. It was therefore obvious that the past year had been one of the most successful in the history of Club, and he was glad to say that they had the sum of \$3,600 in hand.

Referring to the special appeal launched last June, when the sum asked for was \$4,000, Mr. Brown said that the total received to date was \$1,710, together with a monthly donation of \$60 from the Y.M.C.A., which meant another \$600. They were also hoping for further responses from several of the business firms.

He expressed appreciation of the valuable work of Mrs. Lewis, the retiring Chairman, and extended a warm welcome to Mrs. Bellamy, her successor.

ANOTHER BIG A.D.C. SUCCESS.

"ART AND MRS. BOTTLE" A REAL TRIUMPH.

SPLENDID ACTING.

"Art and Mrs. Bottle," the latest production of the enterprising Hongkong Amateur Dramatic Club, is a comedy and a puzzle. The dialogue is no intriguing as to make one leave the Theatre Royal uncertain whether to laugh together with the author in his supposedly very modernistic attitude towards conventional standards of morality, or to weep tears of shame at this hypocrisy of the said conventional standards. But, this conflict of emotions cannot rob the play of its appeal and its entertainment. Rather does it enhance it.

At least, the Hongkong A.D.C. has given us something new: revolutionary ideas as to the meaning of art and (to the not so very sophisticated), futuristic interpretations of moral standards. For this we have to thank them, whether we agree with both, one or the other, or neither.

The Story.

We have an obviously intelligent and gifted woman, married very early to a man who is "something in Sanitary" bored with her existence, pining to give self-expression to emotions throttled by water pipes and flushes suddenly flinging off these handicaps to discover "Life" by running away with a man who is really "something in Art." With her artistic desires fully satisfied (and destroyed), she is forced to turn to the more material things of life, and so becomes a Countess, though, as she explains, this was only a courtesy title. But her source of sustenance fades out, and it is here where the comedy or the farce, according to viewpoint, begins.

She returns to her husband, to find him a wealthy sanitary engineer, and her two children, now at the age of discretion, dabbling in art. They learn of the life story of their mother, whom they had been given to understand was dead, and accept the situation; whilst the daughter is so encouraged as to confess her own prospective intrigue. Naturally, it is with none other than the mother's first "affair," now married, but still suffering from the same complex. The remainder of the action is mainly taken up with the mother's endeavours to save the daughter from the indignity of her own position of some 20 years before.

Interpreted there is a small love affair of the son with one of his models, who is so innocently snobbish as to be capable of winning anybody's affection, and finally the satisfactory working out of the two problems, plus the reconciliation of wife to husband.

A Brilliant Achievement.

One need have no hesitation in saying that the local players make the most of this colourful story, and nothing could be more satisfactory than their treatment of it. It is a brilliant achievement from beginning to end, for they succeed in making it something real. Though they make us laugh, they also make us feel that there is a tragedy behind the satirical lines.

Fay Grossman fills the all-important role of Mrs. Celia Bottle, whose life had been wrecked through the injudicious mixing of water pipes, art, and the sexual appeal of a Count, and from the moment she makes her entrance into the home she had left 20 years before, to the time when she is again accepted by the sanitary inspector as his wife, she scores a big triumph. One cannot but be charmed with her delightful candour, her soft, cultured tones, as she seeks to unravel a tiresome, domineering and immoral knot, her subdued mannerisms, and her absolute lack of anything that suggests "stagnation." It is one of the finest performances Hongkong has been privileged to have from a local actress.

Alec Fintner is wholly enjoyable as the husband, whose business outlook is confined to sanitary matters, whose moral vision suggests early-Victorianism, and whose social instincts appear to centre round snobbery. He conveys the portrait to a nicely: does not force anything; adopts a tone of voice which is nothing short of admirable, and throughout gives one the same sealing which his wife experienced, of admiring him, of trusting him, but never loving him.

Realistic Portrayals.

Rupert Foster, maintaining the high standard set by these two accomplished players, makes realism the keynote of his characterisation. One might shudder from contact with a man who boasted of being "immoral," but the audience could only sit and admire Mr. Foster's unfolding of such character. He is masterly both in dialogue and stage deportment.

Joyce Miskin makes a tremendous appeal as July Bottle, the artistic

VICTORIA DIOCESAN CONFERENCE.

TO BE HELD TO-MORROW AND WEDNESDAY.

The Victoria Diocesan Conference is to be held on Tuesday and Wednesday.

The first session is to be held in the St. John's Cathedral Hall at 5.15 p.m. tomorrow, when the President will deliver his opening address and when the subject for discussion will be "The Scientist's Approach to God." This will be introduced by Mr. E. A. Gaunt, M.A., Fellow of Trinity College, Cambridge.

The subject for discussion on Wednesday evening will be "The Christian Conception of God," introduced by the Rev. G. K. Carpenter, M.A., B. Sc. This will be followed by a discussion on points arising from the President's address.

MAN ROBS HIS BENEFACTOR.

TWO MONTHS' SENTENCE FOR DESPICABLE THEFT.

Sentence of two months' hard labour was imposed by Mr. Hamilton, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, on a Chinese for what his Worship described as a most despicable theft.

The defendant was charged with larceny of a suit of clothing from 111, Woosung Street, and according to Inspector A. R. Clark, the complainant had found the defendant begging on the streets, given him shelter and also assisted to get him employment.

The defendant suddenly disappeared and it was found that a suit of clothing had been stolen. Over the weekend the defendant was found in the streets and the clothing was subsequently recovered.

daughter, and she is perfectly convincing in the manner she defends her life of Art. She also typifies pride in a very true and realistic way, whilst in enunciation and acting, she is almost flawless.

Michael Marriott has been selected to interpret the character of Michael Bottle, the son, and on Saturday he was one of the outstanding successes of the evening. He was word-perfect throughout, but there was more than that in his performance. His voice inflections, natural movements and facial expressions were other features of a performance which can rank as one of the best we have seen from this talented young man.

Frances Lack's Success.

Frances Lack has anything but an easy task in the portrayal of Sonia Tippet, a model, and also the girl of Michael Bottle's heart and ideals. Her scene with Mrs. Bottles, when she endeavours to place before the mother her reasons for not being able to marry Michael, in the least snobbish fashion possible, is an especially creditable piece of acting, and throughout she is delightfully naive and perfectly natural.

John Raikes is called upon to portray one of those everyday sort of men, who, because he happens to be thrown in contact with rather quick and advanced-thinking artistically-minded people, appeared rather a commonplace and insignificant individual. He fills his part to the letter and can be ranked as another of the successes of the show. He stammers sufficiently in proposing his love, and cowers so naturally before the dominating personality of Mrs. Bottle, as to make him what the author intended he should be—an honest, hard-working man, devoid of anything which might be described as a sense of humour, and almost completely without imagination.

Nelca Grimes as Parsons, the maid, is perfectly correct in her movements and announcements, and adds that touch which often means the whole difference between a well-performed and a brilliantly-presented play.

Further stagings of this comedy will be given on Tuesday, Friday and Saturday nights, together with a matinee on Wednesday at 5.15 p.m. Everyone should make a point of seeing one of the greatest successes ever put on by the A.D.C.

Those Who Played.

George Bottles (A Sanitary Engineer)

Alec Fintner (Cella Bottle (His Wife))

Fay Grossman (Michael Bottle (His Son))

Michael Marriott (Joyce Miskin (His Daughter))

Judy Bottles (An Artist))

Max Lightly (Rupert Foster (A Model))

Frances Lack (Sonia Tippet (A Young Man))

John Raikes (Parlour Maid))

Nelca Grimes (Mrs. Parsons (A Parlour Maid))

Scenery by Mr. W. A. Cornell,

furnishings by Lane Crawford,

lighting by Mr. R. A. Starling,

prompter, Mr. D. W. Morley, stage manager, Mr. E. Grossman.

HU HAN-MIN STILL WATCHED.

ELIMINATION MAY HELP FEDERAL PLAN.

APPEALS SUCCEED.

Nanking, Mar. 8.

Following reported appeals by Nationalist officials for the freedom of Mr. Hu Han-min, President Chiang Kai-shek has consented to permit the ex-Chairman of the Legislative Council to return to his own residence in Nanking City. Accompanied by Messrs. Tai Chi-tao, Chairman of the Examination Council, Shao Yuan-chung, newly-elected Vice-President of the Legislative Council, and the Police Commissioner of Nanking, Mr. Hu Han-min left the Tongshuan Government Club this afternoon by motor car, being closely followed by another car carrying the Police Commissioner and four bodyguards.

The Police Commissioner personally escorted Mr. Hu to his residence and placed a company of policemen to act as guards outside the residence of the ex-Legislative Council Chairman.

Still Under Observation.

President Chiang appears to be undecided whether to permit Mr. Hu Han-min to leave Nanking and is maintaining strict surveillance over his movements. All telegrams and newspaper articles pertaining to Mr. Hu Han-min's activities and to military movements in the provinces are subjected to a careful censorship in Nanking and Shanghai.

The elimination of Mr. Hu Han-min from the political arena is expected to pave the way for the enforcement of a joint policy between President Chiang Kai-shek and General Chang Hsueh-liang to rule China by a Federal scheme. General Chang Hsueh-liang will rule eight Provinces in the North, with Marshal Chiang controlling the Central Government political machine.

The Federal policy was first sponsored by General Chao Heng-ti, ex-Military and Civil Governor of Hunan, and General Chen Chiung-ming, ex-Canton military Commander, whose policy was strongly opposed by the late Dr. Sun Yat-sen, leading to the serious Kuomintang split in Canton in 1922.

Nanking Alert.

Nanking, Mar. 7.

It is officially stated that "the wild reports of Mr. Hu Han-min's illness are gross exaggerations, spread for clever political purposes." It is also pointed out that the ailments from which he is suffering have affected him for years.

The report that Hu Han-min is on hunger strike is repudiated. It is stated that he is weak, but his condition is not serious. He will be returning to Nanking in two or three days, the statement adds. Reuter.

London Comment.

London, Mar. 8.

The *Observer* says that the resignation of Mr. Hu Han-min from the Nanking Legislative Council means that President Chiang Kai-shek and General Chang Hsueh-liang, are now

launched on a policy involving a Federalist solution of the China situation, it is the best news from China in the last 20 years.

Reuter.

WAITING IN RUSSIA.

(Continued from Page 6.)

country in the world," said a Pole as he noticed our interest in the soldiers.

Warsaw looked so prosperous and so fine, while the food seemed so excellent and was served in such quantities that travellers from Russia could not begin to eat it.



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CLUB 2ND. DO WELL.

[By "Wanderer."]

In the production of football that was more earned than skillful, the Shield-ties on Saturday were typical. In the dearth of surprises they were not so typical. The only eleven that contrived to bring off the unexpected were the Club second string, who eliminated the South Wales Borderers from the Junior Shield.

This was the most interesting of the junior games. From a football standpoint, the Borderers' Reserves were infinitely superior, but their finishing was wretched and the smart goal obtained by Strange Junior, in the closing stages, for the Club, seemed fitting in the circumstances. Sloan and Hynes played a remarkably good game at back and it was their work, and that of Fogwill in goal, which made success possible. The Borderers asked for defeat by their prodigality with chances.

South China, Kowloon and the Borderers qualified for the Senior Shield semi-finals, the fourth match between the Recrues and Artillery being postponed. The results were:

Senior Shield.
South. China 2 Royal Navy
Club 0 Kowloon 2
St. Joseph's 1 Borderers 7

Junior Shield.
Club Res. 1 Borderers Res. 0
Evo. 0 Kowloon 9
South China 2 Navy Res. 3
St. Joseph's 1 Eastern 2

SOUTH CHINA IN THE
SEMI-FINAL.Weakness of Navy Attack
Again Evident.

The Navy, making five changes from the team which lost to South China 7-2 last month, put up quite a good show on Caroline Hill, but they were clearly inferior to South China in their finishing work. When South China's forwards got within shooting range they were dangerous, but the Navy attack was marred in efficiency by hesitancy.

South China got their early goal, Chu Kwok-lun hitting in Pak-wa's centre past Bines, and this tonic enabled them to overplay their opponents by some remarkably keen football. Fung King-cheung netting a second with a wonderful drive. Thanks to Bines, who saved splendidly from all three inside forwards and a rock-like exhibition by Dixon, the Navy emerged from this period without suffering the loss of further goals and afterwards, as far as midfield play was concerned, they were as good as the opposition.

This was due partly to the rise of the half-back line. In the early stages, Butler, Shirras and Ashman lacked understanding and were overrun, but as soon as they tightened up, the South China attack was not so prominent, while Shirras's clever distribution of the ball gave his forwards ample scope for dangerous movements.

The chief trouble forward was over-anxiety. Nearly all the movements of the inside men were unnecessarily hurried except in the matter of shooting, and in this, curiously enough, they seemed reluctant to let drive.

They put more fire into their work in the second half, but Li Tin-sang and Tam Kong-puk were steady, and Pau Ku-ping handled everything that came his way with complete confidence.

Fung King-cheung was the best forward on the field. His passes were nearly always just right and individually he was the most dangerous raider. In Pak-wa and Li Wan-tong made up very clever left wing, but the right did not do particularly well.

Leung Wing-chu occupied the centre-half berth in the place of Wong Mee-shun, who, I understand, has been suspended for a year for his "exploits" against Kowloon. Leung was the best of the half-backs, though the newcomer, Tong Kwan, tackled the Skinner proposition as successfully as any other player has done this season.

The South China scoring propensities were curtailed by sound

understanding in the Navy defence after the interval, plus good positional play, and some capital goalkeeping.

Shirras, Dixon, Ashman were outstanding, and Dickenson and Skinner were the most lively members of the attack.

A CURIOUS GAME.

Club Improvement Followed
By Kowloon Goals.

Kowloon defeated the Club by two clear goals and although they were the better all round team, and deserved their win, in one sense they must be accounted a trifle lucky. In the opening half, the Club defence had scarcely a moment's respite. Kowloon breaking up occasional Club raids without much difficulty, and continually threatening Roger's charge. Yet they failed to score. After the interval, the Club improved immeasurably, and exchanges were fairly even. The Club came close to goals on more than one occasion—although few really good shot were fired at Penny—but Kowloon, with fewer chances than in the first half, netted twice.

One was from a penalty, taken by Gillott, but Lanson was in an excellent scoring position when Strange brought him down. The second came a minute before the end when the Club had thrust all their resources into attack in a determined effort to obtain an equaliser, leaving their defence wide open to a sudden burst on the Kowloon right which gave Lanson an easy opportunity from the cross.

Kowloon started with the idea of playing high fulatin' football, but the whole-hearted tactics of the Club defenders were such as to upset good combination, and play became ragged. McKeilie and Hedley kept a firm grip in midfield and the former was feeding delightfully. In consequence, the visitors attacked almost constantly before the interval. Lanson was brought down when he was right through on one occasion and Grimwood and Gillott shared his fate later on. Gillott hit the cross-bar with a shot on the run, and Lanson drove the return high over. Pile cut in on another occasion, getting in two shots, one of which Rodger returned to him; the other was turned over the bar for a corner.

These were the nearest Kowloon got to a goal. At the other end, Penny handled the ball only twice. The Club fought back in great style after the interval, Watson giving a splendid display at centre-forward, worrying the backs into error. Unfortunately, he got little backing, and in the end he was usually crowded out.

Baldwin had a great opportunity five minutes from the end, receiving close in during a scrimmage, but he delayed just a fraction of a second and Dowman took the ball off his toe.

The outstanding player on the field was Grimwood, whose neat ball control, elusive swerves, and accurate passing caused the Club defence a good deal of worry. The vast majority of the Kowloon attacking movements started from him, partly because he was such a persistent forager. His combination with Lanson provided some of the nicest moves in the game, though clever work was also done by Hedley, who backed up his forwards capitally.

Rodger had a big share in keeping Kowloon out, and both Strange and Bishop were effective backs, kicking exceedingly well. Some of the former's tackling, however, was risky, to say the least. Stewart was the best of the halves and Gray and Watson were the most promising attackers.

The chief trouble forward was over-anxiety. Nearly all the movements of the inside men were unnecessarily hurried except in the matter of shooting, and in this, curiously enough, they seemed reluctant to let drive.

They put more fire into their work in the second half, but Li Tin-sang and Tam Kong-puk were steady, and Pau Ku-ping handled everything that came his way with complete confidence.

Fung King-cheung was the best forward on the field. His passes were nearly always just right and individually he was the most dangerous raider. In Pak-wa and Li Wan-tong made up very clever left wing, but the right did not do particularly well.

Leung Wing-chu occupied the centre-half berth in the place of Wong Mee-shun, who, I understand, has been suspended for a year for his "exploits" against Kowloon. Leung was the best of the half-backs, though the newcomer, Tong Kwan, tackled the Skinner proposition as successfully as any other player has done this season.

The South China scoring propensities were curtailed by sound

FANLING GOLF.

THE CAPTAIN'S CUP
COMPETITION.

On the Old Course at Fanling during the week-end, R. M. Henderson qualified for the Captain's Cup with a score of 86—14—71. There were 42 entries, and other scores were:

E. de Vaux 84—12—72
S. J. H. Fox 85—9—76
A. Ritchie 89—12—77
K. S. Robertson 83—6—77
H. C. Burton 94—17—77.

In the New Course, there were eight entries, and F. Black qualified with a score of 92—13—79.

One player was disqualified, as he took out a card on each course.

O. EAGER WINS JUNIOR
TITLE.

O. Eager won the Junior Championship of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club on Sunday, when he met and defeated Lt.-Col. Matthews in the final round by 2 up and 1 to play.

London, Mar. 7.

A great personal achievement in the history of British athletics was made by the Cambridge president, R. Tisdall, at Stamford Bridge. In a period of 40 minutes he won the 120 yards hurdles in 15½ sec, throwing the weight 40 ft. 8 in., long jump, 23 ft. ½ in., and quarter mile in 51 sec.

Tisdall beat Oxford on his own, as

they secured a total of only three events against the Cantab's eight.

Reuter.

OVERLOADING CASE
MENTIONED.ADJOURNED IN ABSENCE
OF MAGISTRATE.

The case in which Mr. Chan Yun-tong is summoned as manager of the Sze Yat S.S. Company, the owners of the river steamer Tai Lee, for allowing this vessel to be overloaded at 8 p.m. on March 1, was again mentioned at the Marine Court this morning.

Owing to the indisposition of the Hon. Commdr. G. F. Hole, who took the first two hearings, Commdr. J. B. Newill, D.S.O., adjourned the case until Wednesday week, March 18.

A summons with regard to the same offence has been served on Capt. R. Elvidge, the former master of the a.s. Tai Lee. On being questioned by his Worship, Capt. Elvidge this morning said he expected to leave Hongkong to-morrow, but would be back in about nine days.

Mr. E. S. C. Brooks is appearing for Mr. Chan Yun-tong in this case.

EMPRESS SHOOTING
AFFAIR.FILIPINO COMMITTED TO
SESSIONS.

Martin Gonzales Martin was this morning committed by Mr. Hall, at the Kowloon Magistracy, to stand his trial at the next Criminal Sessions on a charge of murdering John Harrison, plumber of the Empress of Russia, whilst the liner was on its way from Hongkong to Manila on February 24 last.

At the close of the case for the Crown, the defendant elected to make no statement or to give evidence on his own behalf. He mentioned, however, the names of his brother, his wife and a Dr. Frank E. Hinckley, a lecturer on International Law, with whom he wished to communicate.

St. Joseph's had Atkins out at centre-forward, but Eynon kept him in subjection.

The Borderers served up very attractive football and must be regarded as real danger to teams with Shield aspirations. In this match their forward line gave display, possessing the twin virtues of precision and decision in front of goal.

Pallister and Duncan, on the wings were speedy and their ball control was good, while the inside trio were thrustful. Only on very isolated occasions did St. Joseph's get past the hard-working stoppers in the Borderers' half-back line, and when they did, Williams and Mullan were usually well prepared.

It was a one-sided affair, though interesting enough at certain stages. Davies, Harris (2) and Pallister got through before the interval, and Charnhills netted the two goals that accrued in the second half.

THE JUNIOR MATCHES.

Sparry (5), Cotton (2), Gilchrist and Bickford netted for Kowloon against Ewo, whose players got rattled and drew an all-embracing caution from the referee.

South China gave the Navy Reserves a keen game than expected, the latter team being very hard put to it to keep their lead. Eastern led St. Joseph's 2-0 at half-time, and gave away a penalty in the second half, this being the full extent of the scoring.

LEAGUE CRICKET.

THREE MATCHES PLAYED
OVER WEEK-END.

A feature of the week-end cricket was the fine bowling form shown by A. C. I. Bowker, the Hongkong Club, and Interport bowler, in the match against the University, performed the "hat trick" and captured eight wickets for only 20 runs. Despite this bowling feat, the Club had to be content with a division of the points.

DIVISION I.

Fine Bowling Feat By
Interport Bowler.

In the first division match between the Hongkong Cricket Club and the University, played at Pokfulam, A.C.I. Bowker, the backbone of Hongkong's attack in many a past Interport, struck his old form with the ball, performing the "hat trick" and capturing eight wickets for only 20 runs. This is the second occasion that this feat has been performed in an official game this season.

The visitors had first knock but started rather shakily, four wickets falling for only 28 runs. Some consistent batting by the later batsmen pulled the game round, and last wicket falling at 182. H. Owen Hughes was top scorer for his side with 46, while A. Reid had a merry knock for 31. A. T. Noyman captured four wickets for 45 runs and Anderson four for 63.

After the fall of the first wicket, Anderson and Reid were associated in a profitless second wicket partnership which was mainly responsible for the good score put up by the under-graduates. Bowker ran through the side in his second spell with the ball, none of the other batsmen reaching double figures.

Anderson gave a polished display for 52, and Reid contributed 37 to the University's score of 144 for nine wickets when stumps were drawn.

DIVISION II.

Darlington 3 Carlisle 0
Doncaster 0 Southport 2
Gateshead 4 York C. 0
Halifax T. 2 Crewe 1
Hartlepool 1 Accrington 1
Hull City 5 Rochdale 0
Lincoln 0 Trammere 4
New Brighton 3 Rotherham 1
Stockport 2 Chesterfield 0
Wigan 1 Wrexham 1

Scottish League (Division I).

Aberdeen 1 Rangers 3
Airdrie 0 East Fife 0
Clyde 2 Hearts 2
Cowdenbeath 3 Morton 0
Falkirk 2 Kilmarnock 0
Hamilton 1 Queen's Park 0
Hibernian 2 Dundee 0
Motherwell 2 Dundee 1
Partick 1 Celtic 2
St. Mirren 2 Leith 2

Postponed.

Division II.

Albion 3 Dunfermline 0
Aberdeen 1 East Stirlings 4
Arbroath 1 Queen of South 0
Clydebank 1 Montrose 0
Dundee U. 1 Dunbarston 1
Forfar 0 Brechin 1
King's Park 4 St. Johnstone 2
Raih R. 2 Bo'ness 2
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WESMINSTER GLEE
SINGERS.SUCCESS REPEATED LAST
NIGHT.

The Westminster Glee Singers returned to Hongkong with their novel and satisfying fare of entertainment yesterday, and gave the first of three performances in the Star Theatre last night.

The audience was not so large as one would have wished, but the singers were accorded an extremely warm welcome, and, in addition to presenting a programme which contained some entirely new numbers, also delighted their listeners with a repetition of several of the favourites which took Hongkong by storm on their initial appearance.

Albert Greene was in his happiest voice and mood in presenting with the assistance of his company, several of his rollicking sea-shanties, whilst folk-songs were again largely favoured. The whole company, both in chorus, part singing, and solo work, were splendid. Ernest McKinley, Donald Reid, Wilfrid Thomas, Maxwell Oldaker, Robert Scott, James Lowrie, James Barber and the boy sopranos all and collective successes.

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BEGIN HERE TODAY

Ginger Ella Tolliver was born, Ginger's father was a pilot, and her mother a very wealthy woman, but life in the little town of Red Thrush, Iowa, ran too slowly to suit Ginger, and her set. So she decided to move to the big city, Eddy Jackson, Patty Sears and Weller Mekker, that she was going to start a Home for the Bored.

To Jenky Brooks, wife of old Jimmy Brooks, the idea could not possibly be considered her interest in organizing a Junior Country Club. She asked Jenky to act as her agent in the purchase of a house, and the house, a small one, with an old farm house from Jenky Wethbury. The rest of her plans were still in her head, unformulated.

And she told Jenky, "I'm sure, and bring him down in his pricess. About half of what she will be right." To Jenky, who, with her husband, was to be chairman of the venture, promised a great deal of money as a return on the farm would mean a trimline of living expenses. The house on Mill Road held in trust for the club, for the inauguration as a fertile field. On the other hand, she was doing his present owner no good, and he was anxious to sell. Wethbury finally got down to \$2000, whereupon Jenky said she would have to ask father's advice.

CHAPTER IV

But Joplin Wethbury did not wait for Jenky to see Ginger Ella. He knew Ginger from of old and was well aware that she was not above turning a neat financial trick herself when she had a good chance. And he had no intention of letting this sole slip through his fingers.

Before Jenky was down the stairs he had Ginger on the telephone.

"Say, little bond-holder," he began cheerfully, "for he and Ginger were great friends. I guess you're not so over-nourished on banknotes, but what you'll turn an honest dollar, if you see your way clear, eh?"

"I hope to tell you," declared Ginger illuminatingly.

"Well, now, you know that school teacher that used to live with you at the parsonage—who married that blind man—Yeh, Brooks, Mr. Brook. Well, she wants to buy a little piece of land from me, and she's going to ask your advice about it.

"Now, you know me, Ginger. I make a save when I can. You give her the right advice, and the day she signs up for it, I'll send you my cheque for \$100. That's what I think of your opinion. Guess that's a fair enough position."

"It certainly is," agreed Ginger. "And I think I can advise her to do—to insure her contentment with lovely, costly gifts, with pretty clothes and with expensive tours."

"Well, I'm going to make it right. Now, I'm asking 200, but I won't stick at 1800. Listen, Ginger, just between us, I'd let it go for 1500, 250 down and 25 a month. Now, tell you what I'll do. Anything we get out of her over 1500, I'll give you 10 per cent and in addition to your hundred. The land's good enough, but I can't rightly use it myself, and the farmers don't seem to fancy it."

Ginger laughed delightedly. "That's just working," she said. "I'll see what I can do. You're a great old sport, Joppy, and I think we can do business."

Her confidence was not ill advised. They did do business, and within 21 hours Ben and Jenky Brooks had bought Mill Rush for \$1,500, paying \$250 down. And Ginger had a cheque for \$100, which she generously divided with Jenky, to the woman's boundless delight.

The news that Ben and Jenky Brooks had taken over the Mill Rush place to operate as a sort of summer home for themselves and a general club for the youth of Red Thrush created a sensation in the community but on the whole met with a surprisingly favourable reaction.

Ben and Jenky were well liked, and had the respect and the goodwill of every one in town. The thought that they would do well and make money out of the enterprise upon which they had so boldly embarked was unanimous. That Ginger should sweep into immediate dominance of all arrangements caused no surprise at all, for she had always been known as Jenky's general boss, taking entire credit even for the marriage of the "strangely assorted" pair, and considering them in a unique way to be her personal protégés.

Naturally in a move of such magnitude, Ginger instead of either of them should play the leading role.

The more ardent and active members of the regular Country Club frankly admitted that they would be glad to be rid of what they impatiently called "those youngsters." It is not easy for middle-aged parents to indulge in foolish frivolity before the amazed and disapproving eyes of growing-up sons and daughters.

Even in the forties, former village belles take no real pleasure in being relegated to the comfort-

able chairs along the wall during the best dances, and the daughters were now come of an age to be greatly sought as partners even by men old enough to have better judgment.

The younger generation of both sexes had grown so startlingly good at sports as to keep their most agile elders on the constant defensive to retain their laurels, a state of affairs entirely too vigorous for warm Iowa summers.

An even more practical objection to the free use of the Country Club by the juniors was the fact that it was almost impossible to stock provisions enough to satisfy their never-ending thirsts and hungers for they seemed to be entirely lacking in the modern colony-consciousness.

The consensus was, give them a club of their own by all means, and if we have to help support it, we will.

The more conservative members of the social set felt that the safest and sanest thing to be done for the children was to get them away from their elders in the social life. Certainly their pure young innocence was less likely to suffer early defilement if kept in complete segregation from the daring unconventionalism that had overtaken so many parents at middle age.

The robust middle class was particularly pleased, reckoning that the hours of gay, exhausting bodily labour that confronted their children in the renovation of Mill Rush could not fail to contribute to the red blood, sturdy muscles and becoming tan quite incompatible with the tea-drinking, incense-burning, cocktail-shaking amusements to which the upper classes had become addicted. So many hard-working people try to comfort themselves with the notion that a healthy body is father of a healthy mind.

But among them all not one was more genuinely delighted than Phil herself, who had observed the signs of mental depression in her pretty stepdaughter with increasing concern. In the beginning of their life together she had tried—as the rich are prone to do—to insure her contentment with lovely, costly gifts, with pretty clothes and with expensive tours.

Ultimately she thought it would be a good thing for Ginger to marry Eddy Jackson, in which case she planned for them a house and finely equipped laboratory for Eddy's agricultural experiments in the outer fringe of Doodnadee, where they would have the freedom and privacy to which every young couple is entitled, but where she and Mr. Tolliver, when he had retired from active participation in church affairs, could joyously superintend the development of the future "little Gin and Gingers," as Ginger herself flippantly referred to her hypothetical progeny of later date.

Eddy, Phil told herself, was a nice boy and he understood Ginger. Best of all he had a sense of humour, was, in fact, what Ginger called a real human being and had fallen in love with Ginger in her days of bare-skinned knees. It frequently happened that Ginger was tied up with engagements with different college boys home for vacation, or with the friends who came with them, in which case she usually managed to work Eddy into the party as an escort for her friend, Patty Sears. That was really wherein lay Patty's greatest value—in taking Eddy off her hands and yet keeping him in the party.

For Eddy was a powerful ally, a valuable addition to any party. He was older than the others and he never lost his head. The townpeople liked him as a sort of reliable balance for the heedlessness of the average youth, and more than once he had been efficacious in extricating his associates from the embarrassing difficulties their immature emotionalism had goaded them into.

Ginger's own emotions, as far as men were concerned, were in a state of safe but deadly somnolence. She was not at all sure that she believed in love; her personal opinion was that she probably did not. Love, she found, was apt to be either rough or messy, and neither manifestation appealed to her.

Also, as she cheerfully confided to Phil, "if occasionally one does let go for a minute and lunge into complete eroticism—see Freud—one is so flushed and perspiring the rest of the day it simply isn't worth it!" Taken all together, she was against love. "Something to do," she said, "that's all people need."

(To be continued.)

LADIES' HOCKEY.

**TWO FURTHER FIXTURES IN
CUP COMPETITION.**

Substantial progress has been made with the Cae Clark Cup competition, by two further fixtures being played off on Saturday, there being between the St. Andrew's Club and the Diocesan Girls' School on the one hand, and the Club de Recreio Ladies Hockey Team and the Kowloon Ladies on the other. The first match resulted in a win for St. Andrew's, and the second proved to be a goalless draw. By their further win, St. Andrew's are now at the top of the League, with the Hongkong Ladies following closely behind with full points secured on previous matches and with two more fixtures yet to play.

A Slow Game.

A slow game was witnessed in the match played between St. Andrew's Club and the Diocesan Girls' School. M. Woolley opened the scoring for St. Andrew's in the first half, and a few minutes before the interval added a second goal. On resumption, the school girls endeavoured strenuously to even matters, making repeated inroads into their opponents' territory, but achieved nothing owing to erratic shooting. The game ended in two clear goals for St. Andrew's.

The teams were as follows:

St. Andrew's Club—A. Hynes; I. Rogers, P. Woolley; I. L. Woolley, M. D. White, R. G. Rose; A. Wood, N. Field, M. Woolley, P. Gittins and E. Landoll.

D.G.S.—S. Wong; Miss N. Maude, L. Lee; E. Ray; Miss M. Mason, L. George; G. A. White, N. Bankier, E. Wood, M. Smith and A. Lee.

A Goalless Match.

On the same ground, the Kowloon Ladies' Hockey Club met the Club de Recreio, and the game was of a spectacular nature; one pleasing to watch, as must be the case between teams that are well-balanced and having a good knowledge of the technique of the game. Accurate passing and a good show of exertion made the match an exciting one from the start. The Recreio's defence was splendid, while the half-backs of the Kowloon Ladies displayed fine tackling powers and on the whole were more impressive than the full-backs. Owing to the Recreio adopting the one-track policy, the Kowloon forwards were forced into "off-side" on many occasions. The result was a goalless draw.

The teams were as follows:

K.L.H.C.—D. Avelino; A. Fowler, B. Hirst; M. Groundwater, E. Booth, S. Dalgid; D. Smith, D. Pinguet, M. M. Martin, M. George and P. Hunt.

Recreio—B. Remedios; C. Osmund, M. Basto; E. Rosario, M. Alves, L. Xavier; C. Botelho, C. Silva, L. Silva-Netto, A. Alves and M. Remedios.

League Table To Date.

Goals

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D.I.H.C. 5 0 5 0 2 18 0

University Team.

The following will represent the Varsity 2nd XI against the Hongkong Hockey Club to-day at 5 p.m. on the Home Ground.—

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HAMBURG TAIPING

HARDIN (North Manchuria) TAIYUAN

HONGKONG TIENTOY

ILIOLO TOKYO

IPON TONGKAT

KARACHI (BUKU) TSINGTAO

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A strong east wind fanned the flames and scattered showers of burning tea on the firefighters, who made a tremendous effort to prevent the conflagration spreading to other buildings in the district, which is one of London's fire "danger zones."

The fire fighting towers swayed perilously in the wind, and gas masked firemen clung on for dear life as they directed their hoses into the blaze. Clouds of smoke rose so dense that they could be seen seven miles away. A large crane fixed to a wall at the wharf crashed into the river in front of a group of firemen who narrowly escaped death.

In addition to using floats on the river the firemen commanded a steamer anchored nearby, and from the masts directed streams of water on to the flames.—*Reuter*.

CHINESE MILITARY UNREST.**12TH DIVISION MUTINY CONFIRMED.**

Peking, Mar. 8
Reliable Chinese and foreign reports confirm the report from Hankow on March 6 of a mutiny of the 12th Division.

Twenty thousand men apparently occupy the area from Sinyangshu to Kwangshui. Trains from Peking are not running further than Chumati.

The first loyal troops sent against the rebels were insufficient and are reported to have been defeated. Severe fighting is now said to be going on near Kwangshui.

In Shansi Too,

Reports of a mutiny of Shansi troops vary. Some circles assert that it is insignificant, but some Shansi Generals are magnifying the news and declaring that it is due to the troops being unpaid, hoping thus to obtain more funds from Nanking or Mukden.

Other reports declare that the mutiny is serious, and that Feng Yu-hsiang is behind it. Hitherto there is no confirmation of this latter allegation.—*Reuter*.

ST. PATRICK'S BALL.**ENTHUSIASM AT THE PRACTICE DANCES.**

At the recent practice dances held in connexion with the forthcoming St. Patrick's Ball, it was apparent from the enthusiasm shown, that the two Old Irish Dances, "The Bridge of Athlone" and "The Sets" will make their inclusion in the dance programme popular. Their lively music and smart style, are sure to be an enjoyable feature in present day Ball programme.

Members and friends who desire to take part in these dances, are cordially invited to attend the next practice which will be held in the Helena May Institute, on Tuesday at 6.15. In addition to the aforementioned, a special tea dance is being arranged on Wednesday, March 11th, at the Peninsula Hotel, commencing at 5 when the Hotel Orchestra will play the specially arranged Irish Music which will be a feature of the Ball. There will be an inclusive charge of \$1 per head.

LOCAL RADIO.**PROGRAMME OF RECORD MUSIC.**

To-day's radio programme to be broadcast by Z. B. W. on a wavelength of 355 metres.

5.00-7.00 p.m. Chinese Programme.
7.00-10.30 p.m. European Programme of Victor Records kindly supplied by Messrs. Tung Fook Piano Co.

7.00 p.m. Stock Quotations.

7.03-7.34 p.m. Variety.

Band-Golden Jubilee (Sousa).

Sousa's Band, 22202.

Humorous Song-Watching My Dreams Go By.

Welcome Lewis, 22297.

Duet-The Sun Is At My Window.

Johnny Marvin and Ed. Smalle, 21866.

Organ Solo-Serenade (Schubert and Crawford).

Jesse Crawford, 21207.

Chorus-My Isle Of Golden Dreams.

National Cavaliers, 22347.

Song-Love.

Gloria Swanson (Soprano), 22079.

Humorous Song-Little By Little.

Johnny Marvin, 22076.

Chorus-Autumn Sea.

Associated Glee Clubs of America, 35776.

7.34-8.05 p.m. Operatic.

Traviata-Selections (Verdi).

Creator's Band, 36807.

Mignon-Gems (Thomas).

Victor Opera Company, 35976.

Bohemian Mimi Flare One (Puccini).

Benjamin Gigli and Giuseppe de Luca, 8062.

Aida-Gems (Verdi).

Victor Light Opera Company, 35940.

Pagliacci (There Here).

(Leoncavallo).

Metropolitan Opera Chorus, 4028.

8.05-8.46 p.m. Orchestral and Band Music.

Schubert's Love Songs-Medley (Drei Lieder) (Schubert-Berlioz).

Marcus Weiler and His Orchestra, 35930.

The Swing.

Victoria Orchestra, 35870.

Patriotic Mixed Medley.

Victor Symphonic Band, 22013.

Eva Wiltsie (Lieder and Schott).

Carmen-Sylvia (Ivanovitch).

International Novelty Orch, 35984.

n. Andante from Orpheus (Gluck).

Prelude in A Major (Chopin).

a. Waltz in A Flat (Brums) b. Minuet in C (Bach).

Victor Orchestra, 22172.

8.16-9.00 p.m. Hawaiian Music.

Hawaiian Love (Lopes and Hietzel).

Beautiful Gown (Ahalena).

In The Heart of Hawaii (Parish and Herber).

My Honolulu Dream Girl (Perry).

Hilo Hawaiian Orchestra, 19713 and 19686.

9.00 p.m. Weather Report, Local Time, etc.

9.05-9.30 p.m. Quartet in E Minor (Smetana).

Franzovsky Quartet, 71320, 71312, 71322.

9.30-10.16 p.m. Concert Items.

Violin Solo-The Old Refrain.

(Kreisler).

Violin Solo-Midnight Bells (Heinberger).

Fritz Kreisler, 1465.

Song-The Warbler (Gretry).

Song-Precious Air and Variations (Prach).

Madam Amelita Galli-Curci, 6784.

Piano Solo-Forgotten Waltz (Liszt).

Piano Solo-Capriccio In F Minor (Dohnanyi).

Vladimir Horowitz, 1456.

Song-Serenade (Donnelly and Romberg).

Song-Love Everlasting (Cushing and Firm).

Richard Crooks (Tenor), 1478.

Violin Solo-Dance of the Marionette (Winternitz).

Violin Solo-Polichinelle Serenade (Kreisler).

Fritz Kreisler, 1501.

Vocal Duet-Marina (Arribalzaga).

Miguel Flota and Emilio Saucí Barbo, 6606.

10.16-10.30 p.m. Organ Solo.

Gipsy Love (Herbert).

Ah! Sweet Mystery Of Life (Herbert).

Jesse Crawford, 22333.

The Rovny (Neyin).

Ave Maria (Bach and Gounod).

Charles O'Connell, 21216.

10.30 p.m. Close Down.

UNIVERSITY HOSTEL'S ANNUAL DANCE.**STUDENTS WELCOME TO GUESTS.**

A very enjoyable evening was spent by about 400 people at St. John's Hall on Saturday night, when the residents of that popular hostel held their annual dance. Gaiety and merriment prevailed at the function, which was undoubtedly one of the most successful dances held during the present University social season.

The main hall was tastefully decorated with flags and bunting, the design of which was in the capable hands of Mr. Wong Lai-kei, who is to be congratulated on the effectiveness of his colour scheme. True to the spirit of University dances, balloons and confetti were in abundance, which all added to the enjoyment.

The main hall was tastefully decorated with flags and bunting, the design of which was in the capable hands of Mr. Wong Lai-kei (Chairman), Mr. Chan Shufat (Hon. Secretary), Mr. Wong Lai-kei (Hon. Treasurer) and the General Committee, consisting of Messrs. Chan Woon-nin, Szeto Eng-kee, Fung Tin-yau, Chow Kok-keung, Lam Kow-cheung, Chan Jim-fai, Li Ka-tung, Chung Hon-kwan and Yip Tuen-shing.

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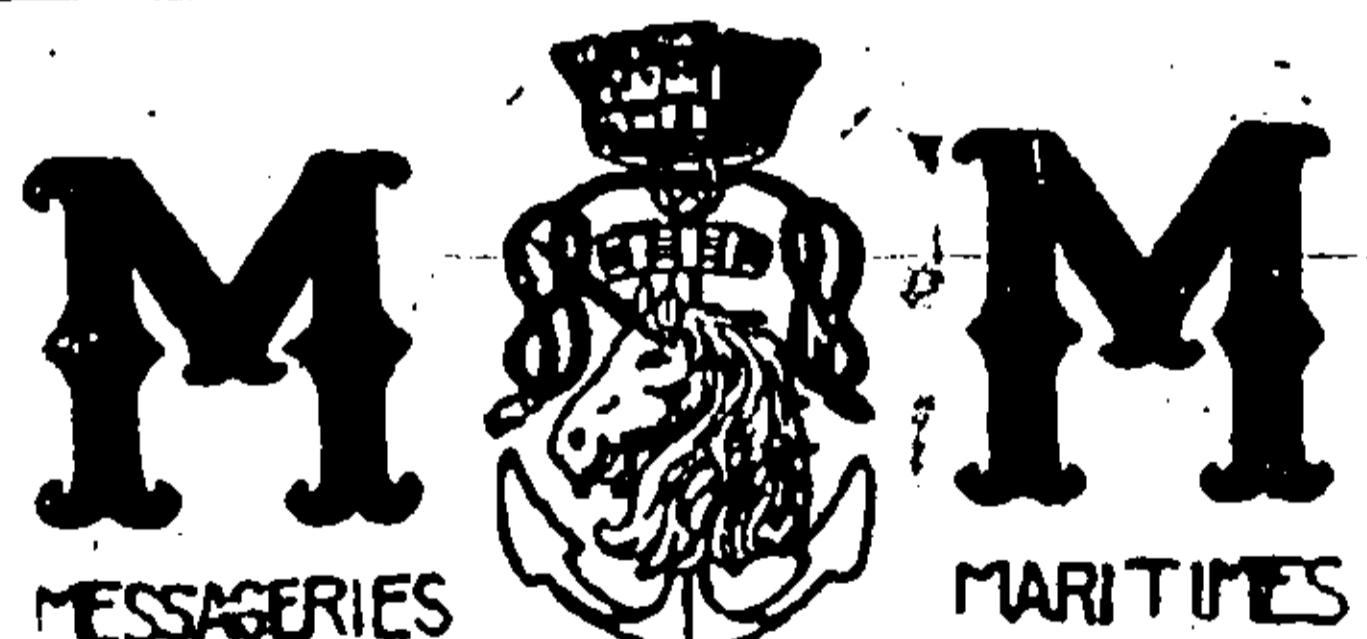
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RANGOON BUDDHIST SHRINE
DAMAGED BY FIRE.

Rangoon, Mar. 7.
The famous Shwe Dagon
Pagoda, one of the greatest

Buddhist shrines in the world, was
extensively damaged by a fire
which destroyed several costly
tazaungs (carved structures with
images to which offerings are
made). The damage is estimated
at several lakhs of rupees.

The pagoda was founded in the
sixth century B.C.—Reuter.

RIVER STEAMERS
EXPERIENCE.ICE AND HAIL ON THE
WEST RIVER.

News of a remarkable phenomenon
has been brought into the Colony by
the river steamer San Nam Hoi, which,
whilst proceeding from Kaukong to
Pakkai on Saturday, went through a
most extraordinary experience.

It appears that at about noon on
that day, when the steamer was about
five miles from Pakkai, heavy north-
east squall blew up and the tempera-
ture began to drop. After passing
Plover Island, the weather became
so heavy that the ship had to reduce
speed. It was at this moment that
the officers and crew of the vessel
were amazed to see raining from the
sky, broken lumps of ice and hail
ranging from Albert to walnut size.

For about 15 minutes, the sea
around the ship was churned with
the fall of the ice and hail, which created
such a dia that the master, Capt. Ben-
twood, who was on the bridge, could
not make his Mate hear what he was
saying. On arrival at Pakkai later,
the officers found the wharf all wet
but there was absolutely no sign of
the phenomenon which the ship had,
a few minutes before, experienced.

Chunks of ice were still on the ship
when the San Nam Hoi was berthed
alongside the wharf at Pakkai, but on
inquiries, it was found that the in-
habitants of that town knew nothing
of the occurrence.

It is understood that at the time
slight peals of thunder were heard
by those on board but as far as could
be seen with the naked eye, there
was no lightning.

WILL HELP WORLD.

SEA LORD'S HOPE OF
FRANCO-ITALIAN
AGREEMENT.

London, Mar. 7.
Mr. A. V. Alexander, First Lord
of the Admiralty, speaking at
Lowestoft, expressed the opinion
that the Franco-Italian agreement,
besides stopping competition which
would have endangered the hopes
of real success at the Geneva
conference of 1932, also meant
that in any outstanding political
question between France and
Italy there would be brought to
bear a spirit of conciliation and
goodwill, which would secure such
a change in the orientation of
European powers as would help
toward the establishment of per-
manent European peace, in a
way that a year ago was never
expected.—Reuter.

Details Withheld.

Paris, Mar. 7.
M. Briand has informed the
cabinet that for reasons of high
international policy, details of
the Franco-Italian naval agree-
ment cannot be published for
some days.—Reuter.

FLYING HIGH.

NEW FIGURES FOR WOMEN'S
ALTITUDE RECORD.

Jersey City, Mar. 7.
Miss Ruth Nichols' altimeter re-
corded 30,000 feet in the course of
a flight over Manhattan Island,
thereby topping Miss Eleanor
Smith's previous women's altitude
record of 27,418 feet.—Reuter's
American Service.

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Baldwin lunched at Government
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Valley, where they lunched with
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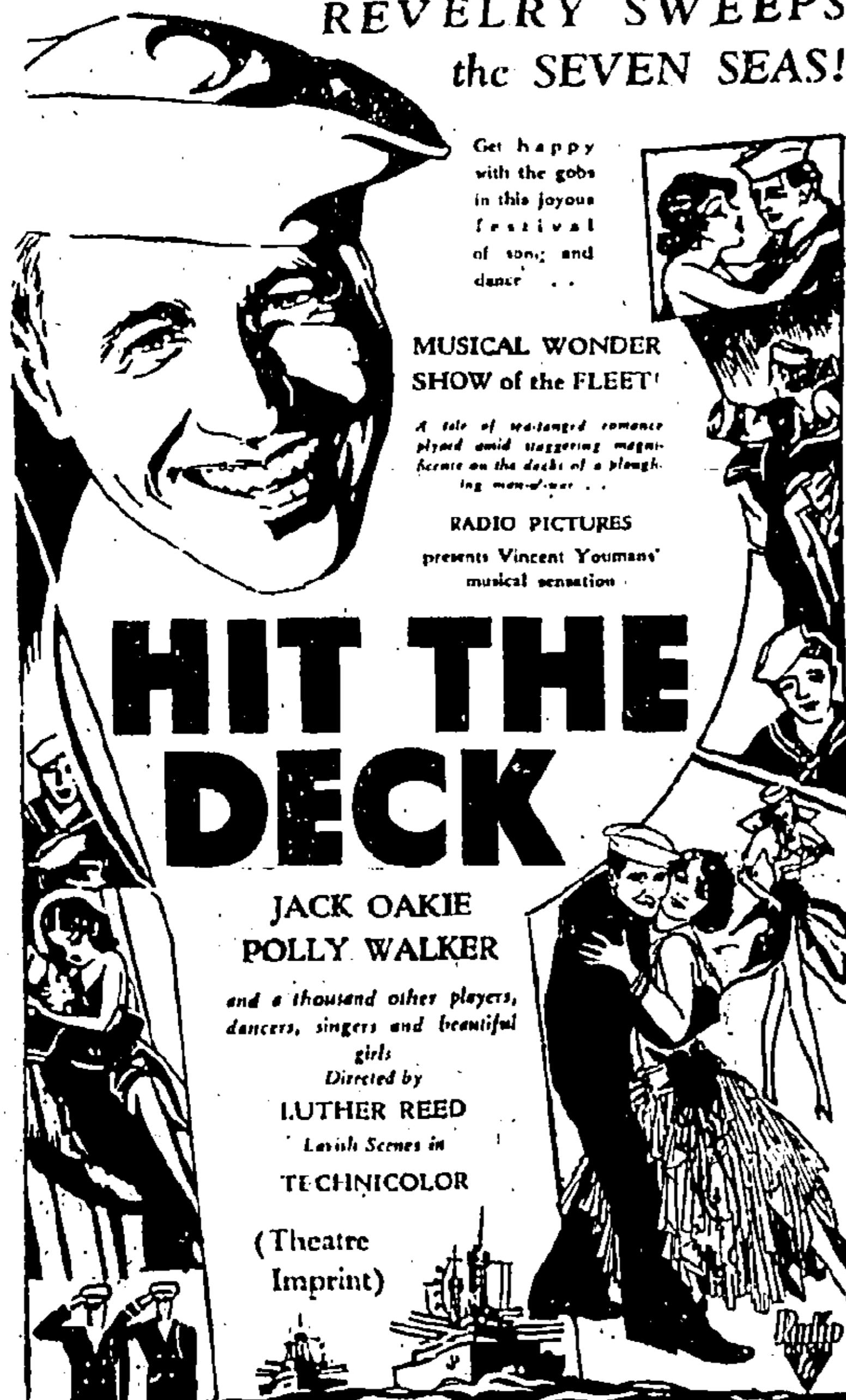
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**DEATH OF MR. A.
BELLAMY BROWN.**

**PASSING OF FORMER
HONGKONG EDITOR.**

Many of the older residents of the Colony will learn with deep regret of the death in England of Mr. A. Bellamy Brown, a former editor of the *China Mail*. He passed away some little time prior to Mr. Brown's departure from the Colony. After some years in Malaya, Mr. Brown received a position with the Hudson Bay Company in London, and had resided in England ever since.

The late Mr. Bellamy Brown, who was a man of marked literary talents, was for many years engaged

in journalism in Japan, coming later to Hongkong, which he left in 1911 to take up the editorship of the *Malay Mail* in Kuala Lumpur. His wife, who was a sister of Mr. J. A. Plummer, of Messrs. Bradley and Co., Hongkong, passed away some little time prior to Mr. Brown's departure from the Colony. After some years in Malaya, Mr. Brown received a position with the Hudson Bay Company in London, and had resided in England ever since.

He leaves two sons and a daughter, with whom the utmost sympathy will be felt.

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**GREAT GALE GIVES
RETURN VISIT.**

**TREMENDOUS NEW DAMAGE
IN MAURITIUS.**

RAILWAY BLOCKED.

Port Louis, Mar. 8. A seventy-mile an hour gale, accompanied by torrential rain, the worst hurricane for a period of twenty years, swept over Mauritius on Thursday last week and returned in full blast yesterday.

It came back with extreme violence and wrecked hundreds of homes that had survived the first visitation.

The death-roll revelled up to the present is only ten, but thousands have been rendered homeless.

Huts and trees were swept away. Sugar-cane plantations everywhere were beaten down, and harvesting in many cases will be extremely difficult. Some of the crops have been completely ruined.

Telephones and telegrams are interrupted. The railway is blocked by the floods and landslides.... *Reuters*

**AUSTRALIAN SENT
TO PRISON.**

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the accused had cleared out of the Colony.

Request compiled with.

"A Silly Whim."
In making an explanation, the accused said the whole thing was purely the outcome of a row he had with Mr. Whitta. He had no intention of clearing out of the Colony and though he had booked his passage and left, he was intending to return. It was only when he got to Manila that he realized the enormity of the crime and agreed to waive extradition proceedings.

Accused added that he had a clear record so far and had never got into trouble of any sort. He had served in the Army. He asked that a lenient view be taken as all the goods, which were of no value to him, had been recovered. He had previously made arrangements with Mr. Whitta to go to New Zealand on business.

"It was purely and simply a silly whim executed under the influence of considerable drink and to get my own back on Mr. Whitta."

Deliberately Done.

Mr. Schofield:—Was Mr. Whitta aware of the defendant's intention to leave the Colony?

Mr. Whitta:—Yes, I was. Mr. Schofield:—I am afraid I have to take a serious view, as there seems to have been too much deliberation about the whole matter. I am glad that the property has been recovered, and in view of that fact I am going to impose a smaller sentence than I would otherwise have done. Six weeks' hard labour.

Miss Wong-Tsz-ha, who recently arrived in England, a graduate of Hongkong University, a journalist of three years' experience in the East, and a speaker of fluent English, in an article in the *Daily Express* she expresses warm admiration of English girls.

An official of one of the foreign companies, when interviewed by a representative of the *Shanghai Sunday Times*, emphasized that there was no question of the Chinese Telegraph Administration ousting either the Great Northern or the Eastern Extension companies. This, he said, was made evident in the official notice posted at the Amoy office when the Chinese organization took over the whole of the cable activities.

The notice read as follows:

**CABLE SITUATION
CLEARED UP.**

**FOREIGN COMPANIES
IN CONTROL.**

**NO QUESTION OF HAVING
BEEN OUSTED.**

AGREEMENT REACHED

The situation in regard to the cables at Amoy and Foochow is cleared up by an announcement made in Shanghai that the Great Northern Telegraph Co. and the Eastern Extension Telegraph Co. have resumed control of the offices there. Operations on the coastal lines from these offices were suspended on February 12 by the foreign companies at the request of the Chinese Telegraph Administration, which made a similar request just over a year ago when, for a while, messages from Shanghai to Hongkong, via Amoy and Foochow—and vice versa—were transmitted over the Chinese land lines.

The *Shanghai Sunday Times*, upon making inquiries into the fact of the change over at Amoy and Foochow two weeks previously, was informed in official quarters that part of the foreign outlays was only a temporary measure and that when certain matters had been decided upon the service would revert to the Great Northern and Eastern Extension companies.

Referring to the Federal Government's plans for dealing with the country's finances, the *Herald* (Canberra) correspondent says it may be stated that there is no possibility of the cancellation of Australia's war debt to Great Britain, but it is understood that the Commonwealth Government is hopeful of obtaining relief by means of a modification of the present terms of payment.

Reuters

**LABOUR SLUMP AT
EAST SYDNEY.**

**"HERALD" FORECASTS END
OF INFLUENCE.**

WAR DEBT QUESTION.

Sydney, Mar. 8. The final figures in the East Sydney by-election were announced this evening as follows:

Ward (Labour) 19,975

Courtenay (Nat.) 16,333

Mountjoy (Communist) 611

Labour Maj. 3,642

The falling off in the Labour poll was, therefore, even worse than the early estimates. The majority compares with one of 13,000 at the last election, and 10,000 were cut away in spite of the fact that every one of Mr. Lang's cabinet addressed the constituency on Mr. Ward's behalf.

The *Herald*, in an editorial commenting upon the result, points at the East Sydney as being a Labour stronghold for the last twenty years. The fall of the Labour majority to 3,600 means that "a few more such victories and Labour, Federal and State, will be well-nigh destroyed."

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**STABILISATION OF
SILVER UNLIKELY.**

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ounces, while France put at least 23,000,000 into the market. Sino-gon exported defendant coins representing 18,000,000 fine ounces.

Hongkong Purchases.

Hongkong absorbed approximately 26,000,000 ounces during the year, about 10,000,000 being purchased in London and Bombay for mintage in the first four months of the year, while a direct purchase of 15,000,000 ounces from the Government of India was made in August, the news causing bear selling both from India and from China.

The slump in the price from 21½d. in January to 14½d. in December is the subject of a month to month commentary, and the general conclusion is that the demoralization of the Shanghai market contributed largely to the collapse.

Indian Government Selling.

Quotations are made from a speech by Sir George Schuster, giving assurances that the Indian Government, while holding stocks that should be realised in the public interest, will not go to the market unless they are advised that, as in the past, the market will not be appreciably affected by their operations.

inform the public that in deference to the Chinese Telegraph authorities' wishes, it has been obliged for the time being to close its handling-in and delivery offices at Amoy and Kulangsu. A notice couched in similar terms, it was stated, was posted at the other company's Foochow office.

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